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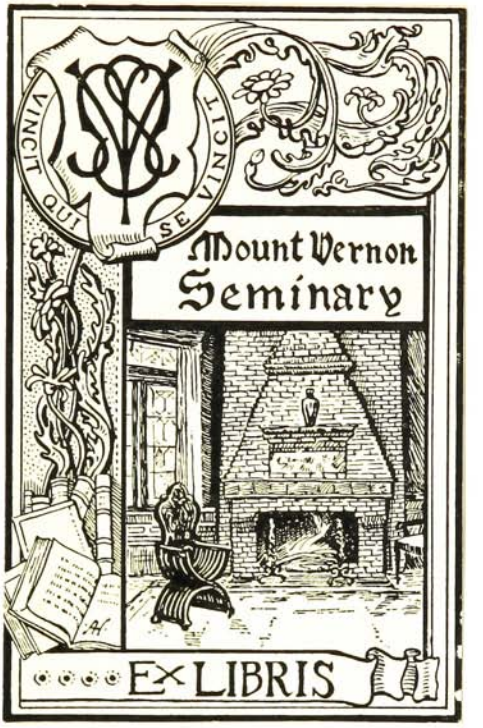
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EDITORIAL.

THE ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION begins the century, as all the representatives of a large connection should, with a family reunion. That is, strenuous effort has been made, not to confine the annual gathering, selfishly, to such daughters of our dear Alma Mater as live under the home roof in Washington, but to include under cover of the Alumnæ Annual, all other children scattered over this broad land, and also to introduce, for the first time, our grandbabies. Hence in the present number, the largest ever issued, an attempt has been made to secure some mention of every Alumna of the school, one member of each class having been invited to join our reportorial staff in gaining this information, and although occasional names are missing, still the classes have responded most courteously and cordially, so that we come together, for the first time, class by class, 1876 heard from as well as 1901 and three grandchildren to make their bow to us as we turn the first page. These three have the distinction of being the only children, now in school, of Alumnæ, but our long list of grandbabies proves not that old age is coming to our Alma Mater, but that she is growing with all the vigor of youth and prosperity.

We have several things to make the opening year of a new century memorable. First, an original play, given at the local Reunion, a play written by an Alumna, with Alumnæ in the cast, and with Alumnæ

as the artists of most attractive scenery. We are very proud of that play, and put our M. V. S. copyright on it in big type.

Then 1901 is the first to substitute a class ring for a class pin, and to do away with Prophecy, History, and Poem on Class Night, giving instead a most beautiful dramatization of "The Princess." We feel modest about our illustrated and enlarged Annual, wishing it to speak for itself, but the initial year of the new century, has been one of unusual prosperity in the school, and of unexampled activity in the growing Association. So we find it very pleasant to meet in this family reunion, to thank all who have helped us for their kind co-operation, to welcome our young sisters of 1901, to drink our Alma Mater's health and long life, and, in separating for another year, to go out bearing her name with more loyalty and pride than ever before.

ANNE SEYMOUR AMES, *Chairman.*
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Treasurer's Report for Year Ending June 30th, 1901.

Receipts.

Balance in treasury, June 30th, 1900, . . .	$ 69.14
Received by Phila C. Nye, dues 1900–'01, . .	194.00
	$263.14

Disbursements.

Paid W. F. Roberts for Annuals–1900, . . .	$57.00
Paid W. F. Roberts for cards–business meeting	1.50
Paid W. F. Roberts, Reunion invitations, .	5.25
Paid W. F. Roberts, luncheon cards, . . .	3.05
Paid May Butler, Corresponding Secretary, stamps, ...	9.20
Paid May Butler, stationery, ...	4.50
Postals for acknowledging receipt of fees, .	.75
Paid Faith Bradford for stamps for play, . .	2.00
Paid Faith Bradford for programs, ...	1.50
Paid to Faith Bradford for play costumes, paper for stage, &c., ...	14.50
Paid Chas. Rauscher for luncheon, ...	73.21
	$172.26

Amount received, ...	$263.14
Amount expended, ...	172.26
Balance on hand June 30th, 1901,	$90.88

Phila C. Nye,
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REPORT OF THE

ANNUAL REUNION

THE Annual Reunion of the Mount Vernon Seminary Alumnæ Association was held in the School Chapel, Saturday, May 25, 1901.

Upon the introduction of the Class of 1901 by Miss Ames, the President, Miss Walker, welcomed into the Association the new members in a very charming address which was responded to in an interesting manner by Miss Dall, the Class President.

The calling of the roll was deferred until after luncheon by motion of Mrs. Somers.

After the Business Meeting, which was a new feature of this year's Reunion, the following play, written by Miss Faith Bradford 1900, was produced :

A LILY OF OLD FRANCE.

CAST :

Isabeau Romèe (Mother of Jeanne d'Arc),
Miss Grace Brouse

Jaques d'Arc (Father of Jeanne d'Arc) . Miss Edna Lake

Jeanne d'Arc, ... Miss Faith Bradford

Marie Du Monvel (Neighbor of the d'Arcs,
Miss Grace Wright

The Sieur Étienne Morel (French Courtier),
Miss Louise Duvall

Lady Alisaundre D'Artois (of the French Court),
Miss Francesca Kaspar

The Sieur Gervais Gaucourt (French Courtier),
Miss Grace Harding

Lady Guinivere Hautesse (of the French Court), Miss Helen Michener

Lady Eudoxie La Hire (of the French Court), Miss Ethel Bogan

King Charles Septième of France . Miss Louise Lovett

The Sieur Bernard Palissy (French Courtier), Miss Marion Dall

A French Bishop . . . Miss Frances Marsh

A French Herald . . . . Miss Elsie Edwards

A French Guard, ... Miss Grace Janney

A French Scribe, . . Miss Blanche Polkinhorn

The Archbishop of Rheims, . . Miss Edna Lake

French Monks, . . . { Miss Blanche Polkinhorn / Miss May Libbey

French Choristers, . . . { Miss Grace Wright / Miss Margaret Cox / Miss Marion Lutz

An English Scribe, . . . Miss Helen Birney

An English Guard, ... Miss Grace Janney

Pierre Cauchon (Bishop of Beauvais), Miss Lorna Guard

Pierre Maurice (French Ecclesiastic), Miss Frances Marsh

A French Priest, ... Miss Marion Lutz

English Priests, . . { Miss Blanche Polkinhorn / Miss Margaret Cox / Miss May Libbey

At the conclusion of the program the Association adjourned to the Reading Room where a delightful luncheon was served upon very daintily appointed tables. Miss Frances Marsh, 1900, as toast-mistress, proposed some very clever toasts which were responded to in a bright way.

With the singing of the "New School Song" which is as follows :

In our hearts are many mansions
Where pure affections dwell ;
We've enthroned within the richest
The School we love so well ;
For her colors are the symbols
Of purity and power,
And her motto's high suggestion
Is potent every hour.

Through all the years of school life
The golden and the white
Have been to us as symbols
Of all that's dear and bright,
And in after years we'll find them
Aglow with memory's light,
And our loving thoughts will honor
Mount Vernon's gold and white

Mount Vernon ! Oh, Mount Vernon !
Thy memories are dear,
Thy friendships are so precious
That we gladly linger here ;
But whenever life shall call us
To regions far from thee
Loving laureates of thy virtues
We will ever proudly be.

the enjoyable Reunion of 1901 was brought to a close.

BERTHA M. ELLIS,
Recording Secretary.

WELCOME TO THE CLASS OF 1901

BY THE PRESIDENT,
MISS HATTIE BELLE WALKER.

Members of the Class of 1901:

Your class opens the new century; it boasts the first class ring; as one of its members recently and modestly remarked—"On Monday night it presents a first-class play"—these are points well taken, but it has one claim which is unique in its distinction, for never again can it fall to the lot of any class to be welcomed into the ranks of the Alumnæ by a member of the Faculty whose association with the school dates from the first day of its existence, when, a little child, she entered its portals as a student

Of those then present, three are with us to-day—(the survival of the fittest?) What have the intervening years brought to them? To the child has come the privilege of greeting you—to that first graduate womanhood, wifehood, motherhood. For Mrs. Somers, Time moves most graciously; his snows rest in beauty on her head while his sunshine and brightness have but given an added sparkle to her nimble wit and a greater tenderness to a heart already kind. Some defy his assaults—she capitulates, but with all the honors of war.

Now you come to us, class of 1901, and find a place in our hearts all ready for you. We need you here, we need your girlish enthusiasm, your zeal, your energy, your loyalty and trust you will keep in close touch with us. Emulate the class of 1900, already providing a toastmistress and a playwright, sending ten of its members to this Reunion and five during the winter from out of town to bring us greeting.

Not in that class alone, however, do all the virtues

lie for it was a member of '93 who, when asked to toast "Our Countersign," responded in this fashion—

DEAR MISS WALKER:

I cannot express the joy I felt when I received your note and hasten to accept the honor so thoughtfully bestowed. If there is one thing I do love to do in this world it is to respond to a toast. And such a delightful subject I can hardly wait to talk it over with you. So many plans have come into my head at the mere suggestion that I cannot choose among them. Thanking you again for the opportunity of my life, I am,

Most cordially yours, ———————

Example is ever better than precept, so to these shining illustrations I add but a word. In all you do for the Association be hearty, whole-souled, painstaking, but above all, whether in word or deed, be positive, and be prompt.

On the list of speakers at a representative gathering from many States was Daniel Webster. The gentleman from Kentucky had boasted of its blooded stock, its handsome women, its fine whiskey; the coal fields of Pennsylvania and its great manufacturing interests, the mineral and agricultural wealth of California, the natural beauties of Colorado, each had been presented by admiring sons. What was there left for Webster to say of his native State, New Hampshire, rock-bound and glacier-torn?

"Gentlemen," he began, "as I passed down the main street of your city to-day I saw in front of the shops *signs* indicative of the business carried on within—here a glove, there a shoe, here a saddle, there a wooden watch. Among the hills of my native State, clean cut in the enduring stone, there is the outline of a human face. The Almighty himself has placed it there to show to the world that up in New Hampshire he makes *men*." You are not rock, my dear girls, we have not creative power and yet I feel that in some such sense, we send you forth, a *sign* to prove that at Mt. Vernon Seminary, we make *women*.

RESPONSE OF THE CLASS OF 1901

BY THE CLASS PRESIDENT

MISS MARION DALL

Mrs. Somers, Miss President and the Association:

There comes a time in every life when heart and soul are so full of gratitude and admiration, words are not sufficient but actual service must express appreciation.

This time has come to the members of the class of 1901 and they ask you to suspend your judgment in regard to their efficiency as members of the Association and let their actions of the future be the proof of their appreciation of your most cordial welcome into the Alumnæ Association.

They will follow the example of the graduates of M. V. S. and try to be just such noble efficient women.

TOASTS AND RESPONSES

TOASTMISTRESS,
MISS FRANCES MARSH.

Mrs. Somers, Miss President and Members of Alumnæ Association:

Another year has passed, and we are now assembled for the purpose of celebrating the first natal day of our Association in the new century. It has been well said by England's Poet Laureate that the nineteenth century was born amid

"Wrath and smoke,
When the war-wains rolled and the cannons spoke."

It is a sad reflection that the same may be truthfully said of the present century. When the year 1901 dawned upon the world many nations, some of them representing the ripest civilization and the highest Christian culture, were engaged in war as fierce and bloody as ever disfigured the pages of history. Fortunately we are exempt from actual participation in the horrors of war; but we are not exempt from its influence. It has furnished shining examples of high moral virtues which challenge admiration and inspire imitation by all who believe in "the survival of the fittest."

In our school life, which is a series of contests, who among us has not been inspired by the heroic ex-

ample of Jean D'Arc whose wonderful history we have traced! WE *have had our battles, as eagerly fought, as stubbornly contested at every point, as any in the annals of actual warfare; and the results have sometimes been quite as helpful to society and the world at large.*

Miss Brown has kindly consented to become a "minute man" and fill the place of a comrade in the ranks who is unable to report for duty. She will tell us of some of her school battle-fields.

BATTLEFIELDS PAST AND PRESENT

MISS MAZIE BROWN

"Who in life's battle doth firmly staud
Shall bear hope's tender blossoms
Into the silent land."

Miss Somers, Miss President, and Members of the Alumnæ Association:

When I was asked at the eleventh hour to respond to this toast, I felt like the Confederate soldier who sat on a stump at Appomattox and exclaimed, "I'll be blessed if I'll ever love another country!" Substituting "school" for "country," you will realize the state of my feelings.

Why was I, all unskilled in the arts of war, called upon to speak on such a martial occasion? I am no Othello, to be questioned upon "the battles, sieges, and fortunes, that I have passed!"

However I am proud to say I belong to the army of M. V. S., with Mrs. Somers, a splendid General, who never leads her troops to impossible attacks, Mrs. Hensley, a beloved Colonel, and the honored Faculty, able Captains!

Fortunate, indeed are those who fight under leaders so invincible, shoulder to shoulder with comrades so loyal, and on such a battlefield—a battlefield which, instead of showing signs of conflict, grows more and more beautiful every year.

The battlefields of the Past always seem more attractive than those of the Present. We have all, perhaps, seen or read "L'Aiglon," and if so, remember Flambeau, the brave, so staunch and true! After Austerlitz and many other famous battlefields, Flambeau no doubt found the Austrian Court, as a field of conflict, tame and narrow. Such petty duties as fell to his lot! No leaders, no comrades, no martial music to inspire!

Like Flambeau, alas! we cannot choose our fighting ground. The "wide, wide world" is a glorious battlefield, but is so big—and we are so little! And so, after leaving M. V. S, no longer a part of an organized army, no longer subject to military discipline, our comrades scattered, and with no definite plan of campaign, we often feel a sense of isolation and helplessness.

Hence, it is doubly sweet, dear leaders and comrades, to be here with you to-day—the conflicts of the outer world forgotten—to enjoy this temporary truce, and, even though all of us may not boast "brows bound with victorious wreaths," we can at least rejoice that in these dear halls,

"Grim-visaged war has smoothed his wrinkled front."

Our gallant officers are always to be found, of course, in the thickest of the fight. They steady the ranks, give orders, encourage the boldest as well as the weakest by their example, and thus keep troopers of all degrees of diffidence or of courage in the front line. In our own organization we have felt the force of their discipline. recognized its worth, and realized its justice to such a degree that to shirk or prove a laggard seemed little less than cowardice or dishonor.

I have asked Miss Birney to respond to "Our Leaders."

OUR LEADERS . . . . . MISS EDITH BIRNEY

"Who are first in battle and in every graceful lead."

Mrs. Somers, Miss President, and Members of the Alumnæ Association:

A story is told of a woman who called upon her pastor to complain of her husband and ask the good man's aid to arrest his evil propensities. The reverend gentleman, through a few shrewdly put questions, ascertained that the blame for the domestic difficulties was not altogether on the husband's side and counselled the wife that she "heap coals of fire" on his head. The woman answered that she would do so but had no faith in the remedy because she had already used boiling water on him and it had done no good. We may fairly conclude that *she* was usually first in the fights of her household, but we may well doubt if she had grace of any kind. Altho' bound by the terms of the toast to say something laudatory of those who are "first in fights" I cannot say that I altogether admire or approve of the belligerent woman. It may be that this is due to my bringing up, for year after year, while I was an undergraduate of M. V. S., did Mrs. Hensley and Miss Walker repeat to the pupils those impressive verses beginning "Let cats delight to scratch and fight, for 'tis their nature to" and impress upon them that young ladies should sedulously abstain from all fighting and busy themselves with *nicer* things, such as problems in mathematics and the like. And I really think this kind of instruction must have been given other classes than mine for among all the officers of the Alumnæ with whom I have come in contact I have found none who gave any evidence of desire to be either first or anything else in a fight. You may therefore put me down as distinctly disapproving of this part of the sentiment as applied to the officers of the Alumnæ. Possibly some of them may at times have been forced to defend themselves in

what our brothers would term a "scrapping match," but I refuse to believe that any of them was ever *first* in the fight, the sentiment to the contrary notwithstanding.

And if I find it impossible to apply to our officers the first phrase of the sentiment, I have even more difficulty with the second, for I really do not understand its meaning and therefore do not know if it is complimentary or not, and I really do think our officers should be complimented in good hearty fashion. *Of course* they are graceful, for are they not graduates of M. V. S., and equally, of course, they lead, for the educated American woman with lofty ideals and with that independence of thought which a liberal education must give, will always dominate the social circle in which she moves and unfailingly influence the mental activities of those about her.

Every Alumna feels she owes much of her satisfaction with life to the influence of M. V. S. and in turn M. V. S. owes much of its success to the earnest efforts of its graduates to induce their younger sisters to tread the paths *they* have trod and thus gain strength and vigor for the contests of life. In this work this Alumnæ Association is a most useful organization and does more real good than superficial thought would suggest. This, then, must be the "graceful lead" of the sentiment, and since, to the activity of its officers the Association owes its success, we may well hail them as first in our affections, first in our hopes of future success and as OUR officers, leaders of grace.

There is no symbol of union more powerful than the countersign—none which binds men in a closer bond of fellowship. It is a sign of equal aspirations, equal hopes, and of equal interests to be guarded by unceasing vigilance and perfect honor. When we graduate and become members of this noble Association we are given our counter-

sign, and we should never for a moment forget the obligation which it imposes.

> "Though Fate may throw between us
> The mountain and the sea,
> No time shall ever wean us,
> No distance set us free."

We enter this Association with intense satisfaction and pardonable pride, and we should never be lacking in fidelity to our M. V. S.

Miss Edwards will please advance and give the countersign.

OUR COUNTERSIGN . . . . MISS ELSIE EDWARDS

> "For friendship not fame is the countersign here,
> Make room for the conqueror, crowned in the strife,
> For the comrade that limps from the battle of life."

I heard the other day a story that effected me deeply, for personal reasons as well as in its application to my present position in toasting "Our Countersign." A little girl was the happy possessor of a cat and some kittens, but a neighboring small boy had a horrid little terrier, and of course a tragedy happened. The little girl came home one day to find the terrier busily engaged in interring what remained of his victim right on the scene of the murder. She called her mother to the spot and exclaimed more in wrath than grief: "Mama, look! There's a good cat spoiled!" This is a little the way I feel to-day about my toast. I can think of so many other subjects on which I might have been eloquent. A countersign is such a little, unmentionable sort of thing, it is rather difficult to toast. I sincerely hope it won't prove to be "a good toast spoiled."

There is no need for me to remind you what an important place the countersign has held in history. As far back as we can trace it we find that wherever there was any place worth getting into, you could never

enter unless you knew the countersign. And we find it just this way to-day, time has not changed things at all. We open our doors each year just wide enough to admit a chosen few, and each time we catch a glimpse of a crowd of girls pressing about the doors clamoring for a chance at our countersign.

We do not keep it secret, we like for all the world to know and hear "M V. S." and the reply "Vincit qui se vincit." Everyone knows the countersign, but they also know that it admits to this charmed circle only those who have travelled the road that the class of 1901 leaves behind it to-day.

Perhaps we do not realize how peculiarly happy we are in having a countersign that it is quite impossible to forget. You all probably know, or if you do not, I am in a position to inform you, that the few stories we possess about countersigns are agonizing histories of people who could not remember their countersign at the critical moment or did not know, and tried to guess at it. What wearer of our blue and gold emblem could ever encounter either of these difficulties? We wear our countersign blazoned on our pins for others to see and envy, but we wear it written larger and clearer in our hearts, "M. V. S." and what it has taught and still is teaching, "She conquers who conquers herself!" Our countersign!

Mrs. Carey was to have responded to the Standing Army, but as yet her dispatches have not reached headquarters, and I am unable to say whether they have been delayed or have fallen into the hands of the enemy.

From the time of the famous Achilles, through ancient, mediæval and modern times, it has always been considered an honor to carry a shield. These shields were often emblazoned with a motto or strange device and were held as sacred in battle as life itself. In fact one had rather sacrifice his life

in defense of his shield than live after having lost it on the field of conflict.

We have our shield to honor and protect. It bears the simple motto, "Vincit qui se vincit," and I appeal to you to see that no stain mar its surface through fault of yours.

Miss Cox will respond.

OUR SHIELD . . . . . MISS MARGARET COX

"We will hold our 'scrutcheon up, and no blot shall come."

Mrs. Somers, Miss President and
Members of the Alumnæ Association:

In olden times heroes never went to battle without a shield wrought of marvelous material. Each shield bore a motto, which denoted the aim of the warrior to whom it belonged.

Twenty-five years ago a warrior of modern times went forth to battle with a shield not wrought on Walhalla or Olympus, but bearing the motto "M. V. S." Every year from that time to this has seen a band of warriors go forth with their own shield and with the motto of their choice not bound about their heads as those of the Egyptians were, but engraved upon their hearts. The separate bands, with so many different shields and devices, do their own special work in various parts of the field of life, but they never forget that they belong to one great army and that the banner of M. V. S. floats over them always.

In spite of the centuries between the shield of one of those great old heroes, the motto, "To be rather than to seem," is the same. However, neither Vulcan nor any other god helped to frame our shield, but sixteen directing goddesses, each giving the very best material that was in her power. In olden times the gods scorned the aid of mortals in their work, but these sixteen goddesses, great as they are, suffered these seven-

teen humble mortals to bring their insignificant share of material. Never mind how rough and unformed were some of the contributions, the sixteen goddesses accepted them gladly and proceeded to transform them in such a wonderful way that they now stand a little below the goddesses themselves; yet they can never quite approach these cunning workmen, for they are all the time increasing in knowledge, for—

"the years write their records on human hearts as they do on trees in hidden inner circles of growth, which no eye can see."

Let us hope that not only these seventeen mortals, but every band of warriors under our M. V. S. banner, will carry always their shield before them throughout their whole life and become worthy of the forge in which they were wrought, remembering always the goddesses who gave their lofty inspirations of noble thinking, simplicity in living, obedience to law, sincerity in act and in speech, and love of truth to the perfection of their shields.

A veteran is supposed to have the iron of battle in his soul, for has he not been preëminently "the man behind the gun?" So it matters not whether he answer as did Napoleon's guard at Waterloo: "The guard dies but never surrenders," or whether he echo the words of our own great war general, "I propose to fight it out on this line if it takes all summer," the spirit is the same.

I do not know how many engagements Mrs. Swartzell has taken part in, but we all know she was eminently successful in one campaign and brought her prisoner into camp. "For better or for worse" were the terms of capitulation.

I am sure Mrs. Swartzell will gladly dip into the annals of her past and tell us some of the episodes that have made up her experience.

VETERANS . . . . . MRS. MINNIE N. SWARTZELL

"It was for the future that they fought."

Mrs. Somers, Miss President and Members of the Alumnæ Association:

Emotions of a mingled character crowded upon me when called upon to respond to the toast "The Veterans," a feeling commingled with pride and chagrin that I should be singled out to handle such a mighty subject with due appropriateness as the little note hinted—the thought being new to me that I should be considered a veteran in any cause, the sort of feeling one has upon meeting a very old friend whom one is glad to see but who reminds one that old age is creeping on apace—for immediately before my mental vision arose a picture of those heroes of the long ago, who with struggle and strife and many times heart's blood defended our land, whose sacrifices have made it what it is to-day. A step farther to those veterans of later wars whom we see with lagging step and weary body marching in public parade or resting in the homes provided for them by our government. In each case would we attribute to them all honor and praise. But—

"Little avails it now to know
Of ages passed so long ago,
Or how they rolled,
Our theme shall be of yesterday."

For upon further investigation we find the word veteran to mean "one who has served faithfully in any cause," thus we may find veteranship in every phase of life. Veterans in peace as well as war; veterans in church and in state; in virtue and in vice; in piety and philosophy; in devotion and in dance. Veterans of the stage, veterans of learning and of love. And we would not forget the veterans of our homes, the memory of whose care and tender devotion is like unto our memory of the sunshine or the air we breathe,

whose teachings first inspired us to look upward or to turn our steps toward the path of truth. And here too, in our dear M. V. S., are *some* at least who must lay claim to the title of veterans, must own to a place in our school at its beginning.

Reference to our catalogue would make it appear that a long line of years stretches between us and the time of our origin, but so rapid has been the flight of time, so noiseless the passage of years that it seems scarcely more than a yesterday since our little band sallied forth—and almost without bidding rise before me the faces of some of the veterans of that day, the sunny face of Mary Stewart, the dignified presence of Juliet Everts, a Carrie Gillis, Mabel Eddy, Myra Goodwin, Carrie Morgan and Addie Smith. The brilliancy of Hattie Walker, wit of Nina Morgan and wisdom of Nannie Ames come to me, while with intermingled memories of a most sacred and serious character are the misfortunes of "Little Tuck," to whom "something was always happening," and the antics of the black cat "Tark," the school mascot, to whose presence undoubtedly much of the "luck" of the institution may be ascribed.

Wearisome it would be to prolong a list of names suffice it to say these if not *all* of the veterans, yet they were *all veterans*, each one having served faithfully in a particular cause.

Just a word about the social functions of the "then" and "now," our Friday evenings at home, for instance, when we were allowed a few callers, a little dance or some other particularly good time which was not marked by any formal at home card from 8 to 10 or anything of that sort, but when a belated caller sometimes heard the suggestive tinkle of a prayer bell or his eyes were drawn by a mysterious attraction to an illustrated card bearing the inscription "Scoot Brother, Scoot." Compare such a time with the receptions of Mount Vernon Seminary in this age and then talk of a yesterday. And as I take a step further in our

annals and compare the cradle of our Alumnæ, the starting point of our Association with this assembly to-day, so rich in numbers and brilliancy, those reunions when a dozen or more girls came together, when oftentimes the greater part of the menu was homemade, when our program consisted of an essay, a recitation, a piano solo by Louise Prentiss, a song from Maggie Clark When I think of those days it seems to me some special honor should be conferred upon those veterans who have served so faithfully in our Association and as we enjoy the beautiful result of their work here to-day. I can but exclaim, truly our school has grown, our army has been marching on. It is resplendent to-day in its every equipment, and we the veterans glory in its achievement, remembering ever that underlying all its success is the masterhand of the leader without whom the army would have been as a vessel without a prow or an eagle without a pinion—the leader who has led us on through the years ever ready to encourage the faint-hearted and cheer the brave to whom we owe so much, to whom we would give all honor and praise.

Even as a veteran of the Revolution, if allowed to visit our beautiful land of to-day, with its increased territory and ever outstretching arms, would be filled with fondness and pride.

So we are proud to belong to such an institution and even to be singled out as its "veterans."

We welcome to our ranks to-day twelve young recruits, clad like ourselves in the talismanic mail of M. V. S. You are just out of the training-school, and as yet only cradle and trundle-bed soldiery. We bid you bear aloft our noble shield that no blot be on the 'scutcheon. If you are inclined to feel keenly the rawness that ever marks the fresh recruit; if you find it difficult to acquire that step, step, that marks the veteran; if the enthusiasm of youth does not easily wear the calm poise of the

disciplined soldier, or if in the future it shall prove as difficult to answer the bugle call to duty as it was to obey the rising bell at M. V. S., remember that while it was the veterans who compelled the surrender of the British at Yorktown, it was a Lexington recruit that "fired the shot heard round the world."

So we hope to see you in the grand march of life, like the drummer-boy of Mission Ridge, always in the lead. The recruits all seem to possess characteristics of good soldiers. As time will not permit a full roll-call, I am going to ask Captain Spitzer to speak for the Company.

I regret to say that one of the recruits is still on the sick-list and unable to report for duty.

RECRUITS . . . . . MISS LUETTE SPITZER

"The way to fame is like the road to heaven,
Through much tribulation."

Mrs. Somers, Miss President and
Members of the Alumnæ Association:

We have laid down our books, we have finished our lessons, our school days lie behind us, and now we are ready to shoulder the musket, to tie on the cartridge belt and to join the awkward squad in life's great army.

That we are young, 'tis true. Yes, and we are untried as well as inexperienced, but we will drill faithfully, we will learn the regulations, we will endeavor not to disgrace you in the coming battle. We are soon to leave Camp Washington, where we have spent so many busy, happy months under the command of Brigadier General Somers and her trusty body of Captains and Lieutenants. We are soon to be sent out "under sealed orders" to our posts, scattered throughout this broad land. What these orders may be, what forts we may have to storm, time alone will show. We cannot promise you great things of your new recruits, but we do promise that the class of 1901 will always

strive to fight a good fight, to press boldly onward and upward and to keep untarnished till the end the bright banner of M. V. S.

Ever since the gallant La Fayette unsheathed his sword in defence of American liberty, more than a century and a quarter ago, the most friendly feeling has existed between France and the United States. And it is to be hoped that in the forward march of civilization the same breeze of lofty patriotism will continue to blend fraternally the folds of the tri-color and the stars and stripes. As Washington had on his staff the brave French General, so the Commander-in-Chief of M. V. S. has an efficient French Officer among her aides. Skilled in battle, she has always led her forces triumphantly across the dessert of irregular verbs. She has met and conquered with them the troublesome soldiers of General Idiom and seen them stack their arms at rest in the pleasant and fertile fields of French literature.

I am sure that we can all testify that Mlle. Wilkie is what our allies should always be: "A present help in time of trouble."

OUR ALLIES . . . . . Miss Wilkie

"A very present help in time of trouble."

Mrs. Somers, Miss President, the
Members of the Alumnæ Association:

It is indeed gratifying to note that the bond of sympathy between America and France has only strengthened with the passing years. And it is most fitting that these two nations which were the first to stand for

modern liberty should now stand side by side in the pursuit of intellectual development, for they share the same generous, lofty ideals and meet in a common field of enthusiasm. America, with her proud daring, has infused new life and enterprise into the older civilization, which has in turn served as a check to the younger one; the one has brought youth, strength and courage; the other a maturity resulting from years of tradition, experience and diplomacy. They have shared in the writing of two of the sublimest pages in history. France made possible a successful American revolution, and America in turn hastened that of France. To-day the generous-hearted France, that does brave deeds with a zest, is proud to be honored as M. V. S. honors her in chosing her for an ally to lead a portion of her soldiers on to victory. As her representative, let me assure you that the victories which we celebrate here to-day would have been impossible without the valor, the fresh enthusiasm and dauntless courage of the soldiers given me to command.

We were confronted by many a problem at the outset, and many a hard-fought battle was necessary ere we were to enter that delightful vale of French literature, with its grace, eloquence, wit and charm. Skirmishes occurred daily with the stubborn u and r, formidable foes to untried recruits, but ere many days these were laid low, and we fought in turn the fractious pronoun, the tantalizing gender, the illogical plural, etc., while to subdue the host of irregular verbs took a separate and distinct campaign, the engagements of which are too numerous to detail. Suffice it to say that we marched bravely along, my gallant men standing shoulder to shoulder, ever giving me their loyal sympathy and support, patient endurance and faithful attendance. Finally, as a reward for such effort we sighted the spires of the city of delight; we were in possession of the pass-word, and now orders have come from headquarters to disband. May we meet next year on Mount Vernon's gold and white

field, the tricolor and stars and stripes still waving side by side in the vanguard of civilization.

Another season of reunion has come and gone. Not until 1902 shall we meet again.

" Peace, Peace comes at last, with her garland of white ;
Peace broods in all hearts as we gather to-night.
The blazon of union spreads full in the sun ;
We echo its words : 'we are one, we are one ! ' "

And now before we separate let us all join in the school song as a fitting conclusion to this happy celebration.

COMMENCEMENT WEEK.

THE last days of May bring forth each year the many festivities incident to the closing of the school year. This year, they were as follows :

Friday, May 24.—School Day Exercises and Luncheon.
Saturday, May 25.—Alumnæ Reunion.
Monday, May 27.—Class Night Exercises.
Tuesday, May 28.—Commencement.

The exercises on School day were held, this year in the Chapel, which was prettily decorated with daisies and palms. Each department of the School participated in the interesting program of music and recitation. One of the enjoyable ceremonies was the presentation of the Banner by the Class President Marion Dall, the acceptance and response being made by Mabel Root, President of the Class of 1902. This banner was presented first by the famous Class of '99 and has since been hung with the smaller banners, in color, of 1900 and 1901. The Chapel exercises closed with the abdication of the Senior seats by 1901, the promotion to them of 1902 and the singing of the School Song. One of the most pleasant events of the day was the luncheon and social hour which followed, when all gathered in the music room to listen to the songs and yells of Seniors, Juniors and the not-forgotten class of 1900 which was well represented.

The dramatic ardor which has so characterized M. V. S. the past winter reached a climax in the two plays of Commencement week, "A Lily of Old France,"

presented at the Alumnæ Reunion, and The Princess, an original dramatization, given by the Senior Class, to their invited friends on Class Night. The music room, which served as stage, was a dream of beauty, and the parlors were most tastefully decorated with a profusion of red and white flowers representing the class colors.

On Tuesday morning, at the graduating exercises proper, the music room and parlors were beautifully adorned with palms, ferns and yellow and white blossoms. After listening to some exquisite music. and to the address of Rev. Wallace Radcliffe, D. D., Mrs. Somers bestowed on twelve girls the highest honors of M. V. S. A delightful breakfast followed for the graduates and their friends.

CAROLINE W. JANNEY.

SCHOOL AFFAIRS.

M. V. S. gives good heed to the wise adage, "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," and from time to time during the year, hard work is relieved by some very delightful happenings quite apart from the society entertainments. The Hallow 'een frolic usually starts the season and the pumpkin lighted chapel was the scene of a specially clever performance this year, when fairy tales were represented and acted out for the audience to guess.

Before Christmas, Miss Ames' two Reference Classes invited the school to a "Book Exhibit," when through the courtesy of Brentano, about a hundred of the best books of 1900 were sent up for inspection. The library and the front room were filled with attractively decorated tables, at each one of which some member of the Reference Class presided over a dozen or more of the notable books of her department in fiction, biography, art, etc., as the case might be. The fine and beautiful editions, the cosy tea table, the opportunity to examine books at leisure and the holly decorated rooms made the bright December afternoon a most enjoyable and memorable one.

The "New Girls" gave their party to the "Old Girls" in April and roused curiosity to fever pitch by the most alluring poster of "The Greatest Show on Earth." The uninitiated hardly dared hope that all the mysterious promise of pictorial monkeys, Pierrots and what not on the poster could be realized, but

when Walker was seen suspending a rope from the attic over the chapel, and preparing stakes for the ring, the "Old Girls" felt that their cup of rejoicing was full. Realization, however, was better even than anticipation, and next year will have to look to its laurels if it sustains the school record of annual improvement.

Then, one night, the conservatory was converted into veritable fairy land when Miss Harbaugh, Mrs. Hall and the girls of their table gave a Japanese tea-drinking. The lanterns, the costumes, the fans, the tea, the queer Japanese names of the hostesses all made one feel, before the evening was over, quite as if one had travelled to the Orient.

The dates of the two Musicales this year were May third and May eighteenth, and those graduates of the school who have been fortunate enough to know Mr. Murray and the gifted Kaspar family need no assurance that these Musicales, which showed the result of the year's work, were most creditable and pleasurable.

As for the "Barge Party" it does'nt seem possible any year that it could ever be improved upon, and yet, by common consent, 1901 seems to have borne off the palm. It was larger to start with, an earlier start and a later finish. Then that splendid officer of the Commissary Department, dear little Doctor, had somehow so arranged it, incredible as it seems with such an army of girls, that eating was a continuous performance, and what more can be said of a picnic? Yet there *was* more, for the May day was perfect and the May night a bright moonlight one. Does Mrs. Somers know, her girls wonder, how much they appreciate and how lovingly they remember this great happiness and treat she gives them?

Then the pleasures of an Inauguration made Washington specially attractive to all M. V. S. girls this winter, while the good times of the school year for some of them do not close with May as the following girls are to have a delightful summer in Europe with

Mrs. Hensley—Genevieve Ainslie, Edith Slayback, Grace Unger and Kathleen Cartwright, with Crosby Walding who was here last year and Lucy Tolerton of 1900.

We have left until the last of the school happenings, because it is different from all the others, and yet sounds the very key-note of M. V. S. life, the Installation of the "Order of the Lily," for all the earnest work and all the light-hearted fun go into the symmetrical training of M. V. S. girls because they are parts of that ideal of fine womanhood which Mrs. Somers holds always before each one of them and which she so beautifully embodies in her own inspiring life. The four girls installed this year were Lilian Jones, Jessie Lennox, Barbara McNaughton and Luette Spitzer—while to them, as to the others who stand on an honor role of which we are all so proud, this ideal was held out, "the aspiration of noble living."

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ELSA MURRAY ELEANOR MURRAY RUTH CAREY

M. V. S. SOCIETIES.

ONE of the most significant proofs of growth in a literary community is an increase of clubs, and M. V. S. finds herself at the beginning of the century with three strong societies, each independent and secret, and each more zealous and active for the existence and stimulus of the other two. The 1891 "Annual" recorded the formal organization of I. T. S., dear to so many alumnæ of the school; the 1900 one introduced V. V., while in the years between came B. T. S. branching out into the pleasant field of dramatic art. The competition for eligible members and the marked individuality of each of these three vigorous organizations bring quite a college atmosphere into school life.

I. T. S. shows the mellowing effects of a decade and makes itself felt by its seniority, its reserve and its dignity. One very pleasant link binding new members closely to the past and so to M. V. S. in its abiding sense is the fact that so many of the alumnæ that come back to visit the Alma Mater are I. T. S. girls. Thus not only is friendly comradeship established between widely separated classes, but the present I. T. S. girl finds her pride in the representatives of the society and her love for its traditions constantly deepened. Among the old I. T. S. members, Alumnæ and otherwise, who have visited the school since last October are Mary Wiley, Catherine Higginson, Helen Palmer, Bernice Heefner, May Cass, Laura Pratt, Theda and Katharine Buck, Permelia Curtis, Helen Forrest, Janette Hamlin,

Gertrude Hinman, Mae Press, Lucy Tolerton, Elfleda Bond and Jessie Dimmick. I. T. S. would be glad next year to welcome all former members in its hospitable and charming club-room. The pleasantest innovations and happenings of this year's life are not to be recorded for the uninitiated, but it has enjoyed an unusually strong membership, and in accordance with the old custom was the first to set the entertainment ball rolling in the fall.

The past year has been one of prosperity and growth for B. T. S. Great enthusiasm has been shown by its members, and the society has been more active than ever before.

On the twenty-second of February "The Snowball," a farce comedy in three acts, was presented by the society. It met with such hearty approval that it was twice repeated—once for Mrs. Somers and her friends; again for the benefit of the National Junior Republic. So naturally and well did the girls act their parts that the audience as they watched and listened could not realize that the performers were but amateurs.

In May the customary german was given and enjoyed by all who participated. The room was effectively decorated with dogwood and palms. The girls in their light gowns, dancing the various figures, presented a striking picture. The morning passed only too quickly for the dancers, but all carried away pleasant memories.

May next year prove even more successful than the past, and may the same spirit of earnestness and loyalty be manifested, as has ever so eminently characterized B. T. S. in the past.

V. V. as one very young, entering only the second

year of its career, has gained for such a child a solid footing. At the beginning of the year it was orphaned by the departure of Miss Stewart, but in spite of this sore bereavement it grew and prospered under its friend and honorary member, Mrs. Hutton. In order that others might have a part in its pleasures, V. V. entertained the entire school on February the fourteenth with "The Reveries of a Twentieth Century Bachelor." A banquet on Friday, May the seventeenth, closed a happy and progressive year. V. V. can say with the older societies that it is proud to have a home in M. V. S.

But perhaps the members on whom club life rests with its weightiest and most enjoyable distinction are the twenty-seven representatives of the Primary Department who go to make up the incomparable Shakespeare Club. It bespeaks at once the interest of all M. V. S. graduates, because it was organized by an Alumna and boasts several grandbabies on its secretary's roll. Although but four months' old, for, like George Washington, Lowell, Longfellow, Dickens and many other potent factors, it was born in February; it has a badge and a monogram; it is splendidly officered, its parliamentary practices putting much older organizations to the blush; it has a bulletin board which its two small "custodians" keep in most attractive order; it has the beginning of a library, and above all it has given a play, a real Shakespeare play, and covered itself and its two honorary members, Mrs. Somers and Mrs. Klotz, and M. V. S. in general, with glory. The play was "As You Like It," and the small engraved invitations, headed by the club monogram, which, by the way, is Shakespeare's signet ring in miniature, in-

vited the favored audience to the school chapel on the night of May the tenth. There were three acts and twelve scenes, the beautifully costumed little performers having both the Duke's Garden and the Forest of Arden by way of background. Rosalind fainted in most approved style, and Hymen tied four matrimonial knots to the satisfaction of everybody before the final curtain closed. But the charm of it all lay in the sweet, unconscious and earnest way in which each character took her part in this most innocent and joyous of all Shakespeare's plays, and the contact which the club members are gaining with the master mind of literature makes the future promising for this the youngest society in the school.

GRANDBABIES.

The Editorial Committee regrets to say that, despite all effort, this list is incomplete.

1876.

Mrs. Minnie Naylor Swartzell.
John Naylor Swartzell . . eleven years
Elizabeth Swartzell . . . nine years.
Henry Bodley Swartzell . . seven years.

1877.

Mrs. Juliet Everts Robb.
Carroll.
Stuart.
Kenneth.
Donald . . . . . not living.

Mrs. Mary Stewart Carey.
Martha . twenty-one years, March 7th, 1880.
Eleanor . . twenty years, May 4th, 1881.
Ruth . eighteen years, March 13th, 1883.
Mary . sixteen years, March 14th, 1885.

1878.

Mrs. Lura Nash Griggs.
Lura Florence Griggs . . eleven years.

Mrs. Florence Catherine Nokes Murphy.
Florence . fifteen years, August 15th, 1885.
Alice . . twelve years, June 2d, 1889.
Janet . ten years, September 17th, 1890.

1879.

Mrs. Anna Baggs Koehne.
John Lawrence . five years, May 24th, 1896.
Carl Frederick . three years, Dec. 4th, 1897.
Died April 2d, 1901.

Mrs. Carrie Bryan Moses.
Guy Preston . eighteen years, Aug. 24th, 1882.
Sara Edith . seventeen years, July 6th, 1883.
William Bryan, thirteen years, June 18th, 1888.
Mildred . . . ten years, April 6th, 1891.

Mrs. Ida Hawley Robbins.
Ruth Eloise . four years, June 6th, 1897.

Mrs. Mary Landers Beall, Died Thanksgiving Day, '92.
Mary . . twelve years, Sept., 1888.
Dorothy . . . ten years, Sept., 1890.
Nina . . . eight years, Nov., 1892.

Mrs. Adalyn Smith Holden.
Annie Caris . sixteen years, Aug. 21st, 1884.
Enid . . twelve years, Oct. 8th, 1888.
Randall Francis . eight years, June 21st, 1893.
Louis Smith . . . Oct. 11th, 1900.

Mrs. Villa Welch Murray.
Elsa Somers . thirteen years, Sept. 13th, 1887.
Eleanor Stetson . ten years, Dec. 13th, 1890.

1880.

Mrs. Alice Nokes Hall.
Hezekiah . eleven years, Nov. 19th, 1889.
Mariana . . seven years, Dec. 22d, 1893.
Harriet . . five years, June 12th, 1896.
Ida . . two years, March 15th, 1899.

1881.

Mrs. Fannie Chase Pool.
Mary Chase . seventeen years, Sept. 15th, 1883.
Lucy Taber . sixteen years, May 22d, 1885.

Mrs. Ella Marlow Harrison.
Helen Louise . thirteen years, Feb. 28th, 1888.
Margaret . four years, July 23d, 1896.

Mrs. Adelaide Tune Walker.
Margaret Virginia, three years, May 12th, 1898.

Mrs. Nellie Vila Moore.
Vila Boughton, fourteen years, Nov. 17th, 1886.

1882.

Mrs. Gertrude Burnett Beach.
Elizabeth . eleven years, Feb. 15th, 1890.

Mrs. Regina Calder Mitchell.
Ehrman . . . . . five years.
Mary Calder . . . . three years.

1884.

Mrs. Marian Dean Barnhisel.
Laura Dean . five years, April 18th, 1896.
Winifred Mary . one year, Nov. 24th, 1899.

Mrs. Margaret Galt Stott.
Robert Annan . one year, Dec. 14th, 1899.

Mrs. Jennie Nisbit Zarecor.
Sarah Francis . ten years, July 1st, 1890.
Elizabeth Marshall, eight years, Dec. 12th, '92.
Agnes Grammer . three years, Feb. 10th, 1898.
James Herschel . . . July 14th, 1900.

Mrs. Louise Prentiss True.
Marian . eleven years, Jan. 9th, 1890.
Webster Prentiss . eight years, Oct. 1st, 1892.

Mrs. Frances Scoville Wishard.
William Niles, Jr., two years, July 29th, 1898.

1885.

Mrs. Mabel Crampton McCarrach.
Dorothy . . . . . six years.
James . . . . . two years.

1886.

Mrs. Carrie Allen Van Horn.
William Allen . twelve years, July 21st, 1888.
Edith . . ten years, Sept. 10th, 1890.
Howard Edward . six years, Aug 5th, 1894.
Fay Kenneth . . . . Oct. 22d, 1900.

Mrs. Nettie Stinemetz Bains.
Robert Stinemetz . five years, Sept. 6th, 1895.
Richard Wardell . two years, June 22d, 1899.

Mrs. Marie Wilkinson Hodgkins
Howard Wilkinson, nine years, Aug. 10th, 1891.
George Wilson . eight years, Oct. 9th, 1892.

Mrs. Lina Wilson Alton. . Died May 25th, 1896.
Carroll . . . . . nine years.
Lina . . . . . five years.

1887.

Mrs. Alethea Luse Underwood.
Edith . . nine years, July 21st, 1892.

Mrs. Annie Price Simpson.
Katharine . nine years, Feb. 2d, 1892.
Louise Adelaide, seven years, March 23d, 1893.

1888.

Mrs. Addie Burr Clark.
Jane Perry Clark . two years, Sept. 26th, 1898.

Mrs. Clara Ford Nesbit.
Francis Ford Nesbit, seven years, June 28th, '94.

Mrs. Martha Lemon Cissel.
Belle Marguerite . eight years, July 5th, 1892.
Martha Lonise . seven years, March 10th, 1894.
Eugenia . . four years, Aug. 7th, 1896.
Samuel Cornelius . one year, Sept. 26th, 1899.

Mrs. Nellie Walker Clephane.
Beatrice Adaline Clephane, three years,
March 15th, 1898.

1890.

Mrs. Edith Dingley Hooe.
Nelson Dingley . . . August, 1900.

Mrs. Naomi Naylor Huntt.
J. Harry Huntt . three years, Oct. 17th, 1897.

Mrs. Roberta Wolf Buehler.
Reginald Goyon, three years, April 20th, 1898.

1891.

Mrs. Anna Beebe Keller.
Doris . . two years, Dec. 6th, 1898.

Mrs. Eleanor Brush Hempstead.
Gordon Brush . one year, Dec. 28th, 1899.

Mrs. Elsa Chamberlin Mower.
Margaret Helen . five years, Feb. 17th, 1896.

Mrs. Frances Clapp Hall.
Anna Pearson . two years, Sept. 23d, 1898.

Mrs. Izzie Herrick Wilson.
Dorothy Herrick . . August 15th, 1900.

Mrs. Marion Lilley Taylor.
Frank . . . . March 8th, 1901.

Mrs. Clara Seipp Bartholomay.
Henry . . three years, Feb. 19th, 1898.
Catherine . . one year, Oct. 7th, 1899.

Mrs. Sara Shields Warren.
Shields . . . . . three years.

Mrs. Cornelia Wright McPherson.
Carroll Wright . . August 24th, 1900.

1893.

Mrs. Luella Peck Wadsworth.
Helen . . five years, Feb. 17th, 1896.
Horace Eliot . two years, Dec. 29th, 1898.

1894.

Mrs. Lillie Bowen Fairfax.
Beatrice Bowen . one year, April 2nd, 1900.

Mrs. Hedwig Brand Gotfried.
Carl M. Gotfried, Jr. . one year, May 7th, 1900.

Mrs. Elise Dufour Ryan.
Frances Aveline . one year, Nov. 17th, 1899.

Mrs. Rosamond McDermott Van Camp.
Rosamond . one year, April 15th, 1900.

1896.

Mrs. Alberto Rearick Weaver.
Richard Anton Weaver . Nov. 7th, 1900.

Mrs. Blanche Wilson Hampson.
Wilson . . two years, Jan. 26th, 1899.

1899.

Mrs. Elizabeth Fletcher Slaughter.
Henry . . . . April 8th, 1901.

BIRTHS.

To Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Zarecor (Jennie Nisbit, '84), a son, James Herschel, July 14th, 1900.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frederick P. Wilson (Lizzie Herrick, '91), a daughter, Dorothy Herrick, August 15th, 1900.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Cecil Hooe (Edith Dingley, '90), a son, Nelson Dingley, August 19th, 1900.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Bruce McPherson (Cornelia Wright, '91), a son, Carroll Wright, August 24th, 1900.

To Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Holden (Adalyn Smith, '79), a son, Louis Smith, October 11th, 1900.

To Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Van Horn (Carrie Allen, '86), Fay Kenneth, October 22nd, 1900.

To Mr and Mrs. Charles Henry Weaver (Alberta Rearick, '96), a son, Richard Anton, November 7th, 1900.

To Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Taylor (Marion Lilley, '91), a son, Frank, March 8th, 1901.

To Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Flournay Slaughter (Elizabeth Fletcher, '99), a son, Henry, April 8th, 1901.

MARRIAGES.

On August the fifteenth, 1900, at Brooklyn, N. Y., Miss Elizabeth Douglas Duncan, '96, to Mr. Edward Duncan Mallam.

On December the nineteenth, 1900, at Washington, D. C., Miss Elizabeth Dare, '93, to Mr. John H. Sothoran.

On April the ninth, at Evanston, Illinois, Miss Caroline R. McCabe, '95, to Mr. Philip Sidney Morgan.

On June the seventh, 1901, at Curwensville, Pa., Miss Honora Patton, '95, to Dr. Edmund Louis Gros.

DEATHS.

At Allenhurst, N. J., October the twentieth, Mr. Uriah Painter, father of Elise Painter, '99.

At Manila, P. I., January the eighth, 1901, First Lieut. Louis P. Smith, Ass't Surgeon, U. S. A., brother of Adalyn Smith Holden, '79.

At Washington, D. C., February the first, 1901, Mrs. Pratt, mother of Laura Pratt, '99.

At Battle Creek, Mich., February the eighth, 1901, Robert R. McCabe, father of Alice McCabe, '92, and Caroline McCabe Morgan, '95.

At Washington, February the ninth, 1901, Rear Admiral Peter Anton Rearick, father of Alberta Rearick Weaver, '96.

At Butler, Pa., March the fourteenth, 1901, Victor Phillips, brother of Grace Phillips, '97.

At Indianapolis, Ind., April the second, 1901, Carl Frederick, son of Anna Baggs Koehne, '79.

At Cincinnati, Ohio, May the eighth, 1901, Dr. George Christie McDermott, father of Rosamond McDermott Van Camp, '94.

On May the twenty-fourth, 1901, Ex-Gov. Tanner, of Illinois, father of L. J. Tanner Barnes, '90.

IN MEMORIAM.

PAULINE ARTMAN, December the twenty-fourth, 1900.

The Class of '99 has had another sore bereavement in the death of dear Pauline Artman. The youngest member of a large class, the embodiment of health and charm, an only and idolized child, her death seems an almost unbearable loss to the many who loved her. It is a strange and a sad coincidence that the two friends, Pauline and May Niedringhaus, who spent the first happy summer after their graduation abroad together, should have died almost within a year of each other, and of the same fell illness.

Pauline's fine mind, her attractive personality and her extreme lovableness endeared her to a wide circle of friends whose sympathy for the desolate father and mother is the sincere sorrow of those whose own hearts are sore and saddened.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, Our Father in Heaven has needed and called to His service above our friend and class-mate,

PAULINE ARTMAN,

And Whereas, We most sincerely feel the loss of her whom we have loved :

Resolved: That our Alumnæ Association and School by this means express their deep sorrow that she should have been so early taken from us.

Resolved: That we extend our warmest sympathy to her father and mother in their bereavement, and that in memory of her these resolutions be spread upon the pages of our Alumnæ Annual.

Respectfully submitted,

FANNY H. STOCKING, '99.
MARTHA C. JARVIS, '99.

PERSONALS.

It has been the wish and effort of the Editorial Committee to insert in this year's "Annual" some personal word about each graduate of M. V. S. But, in a few cases, the class representative to whom correspondence has been addressed has failed, for some reason, to respond either to the request for news or for notification if unable to carry on the class budget. Hence the Committee has found itself, at the last moment, embarrassed by unintentional but unavoidable omissions, and begs forgiveness if some very loyal Alumnæ go unmentioned. The great majority of class representatives, however, have met the request in the most courteous and cordial way and have written not only once, but, in many instances, several times to class mates, who, possibly, through change of address have failed to reply. For all generous co-operation and help in this work of weeks, the Committee again expresses its sincerest thanks.

Mrs. Somers is now perfectly happy at her charming country home at Bluemont, Virginia, where her hospitable summer plans will make many M. V. S. girls glad. Her guests of early June were Miss H. B. Walker and Miss Mary Morgan.

The Alumnæ Reunion brought its annual sweet telegram from Miss Scull, the Bible reference being read at Roll-call by Mrs. Somers. Our united thanks and sincerest appreciation go to dear Miss Scull for her loving and helpful yearly message.

Miss Brouse's new house was finished last summer and is only a short distance from "Rock Rest."

With Mrs. Somers, Miss Brouse and Prof. Kaspar's family within a stone's throw of each other, one of the loveliest parts of Virginia will become quite an M. V. S. settlement.

Mrs. Hensley sailed early in June with her little party and has a most delightful itinerary for the summer.

Our first Alumna, Mrs. Minnie Naylor Swartzel added a great deal to the pleasure of this year's Reunion—by her entertaining toast full of reminiscences of the early days of the School, Her small Elizabeth will share the honor of being the first granddaughter of the School with Martha Carey—Elizabeth being the child of our senior graduate and Martha the senior grand-baby.

Mable Eddy's old friends would give her a very warm welcome if she came to Washington. Her sister, Mrs. Root with her husband are often seen at the School now that they live in the Metropolitan city.

Mrs. Juliet Everts Robb,'77, is as fine a student as ever—and teaches her three handsome boys herself with such thoroughness that she has even learned to "whittle," manual labor being included in their curriculum. Her youngest son, Donald, died a year or two ago.

We had a pleasant glimpse of Mrs. Mary Stewart Carey,'77, at the school in February, when she came on to attend the meeting of the "Daughters of the Revolution." She was looking such a picture of health at the time, that we learn with regret from Martha, that lately she has not been so well. Ruth, her third daughter has been in the school, this winter, as our frontispiece will show.

Mrs. Florence Nokes Murphy,'78, is living in Brooklyn, N. Y. Left a widow, seven years ago, she is devoting herself to the care of her three girls. In the early spring she visited in Washington.

Mrs. Lura Nash Griggs, '78 is located at Ottawa, Illinois, where she belongs to several musical and literary clubs, is a member of the D. A. R. and is actively engaged in church work. Her daughter "Lura" inherits the name from her mother, her grandmother and her great-aunt. Mrs. Nash's sister Florence, now Mrs. Weis, also lives at Ottawa.

Ida Andrus, '78, has made quite a reputation for herself as a teacher, and is at present Principal of one of the schools in Indianapolis She has also taught at Russellville, Kentucky, and lives a very busy, useful life.

Mrs. Mary Rankin Goulder, '78, is First Vice Regent Western Reserve Chapter, D. A R., is actively engaged in philanthropic work, especially for children, and is also busy with church work.

Mrs. Anna Baggs Koehne, '79, is in extreme bereavement over the death of her youngest boy, Carl Frederick, who died on March 24th, 1901. He was so beautiful a child that people stopped him on the street to look at him and was lovely in disposition as well as in person. Our great sympathy is extended to Mrs. Koehne. She is living now at Indianapolis but for six years of her married life was in Florida.

Mrs. Ida Hawley Robbins, '79, is an active member of the Mayville Club, in Mayville, New York where she lives, and has just declined its Presidency. Having lost her first two children, her whole heart is bound up in "Baby Ruth," who is just four years old.

Mrs. Adalyn Smith Holden, '79, has had a year full of both joy and sorrow, for her lovely baby was born in October and her brother, First Lieut. Louis P. Smith died in the Philippines in January. Her many friends were glad to see her at the Alumnæ Reunion.

Caroline W. Morgan, '79, is greatly enjoying the independence of being a "bread-winner" this last

winter, but has been sincerely missed at our Alumnæ meetings where she could always be depended upon for prompt attendance and helpful work.

Mrs. Carrie Bryan Moses,'79, writes that she is "leading a very quiet, happy but uneventful life," bringing up her small family in Somerville, Massachusetts.

Mrs. Villa Welch Murray,'79, is very closely identified with M. V. S. and is a frequent and welcome visitor at the school where her husband has charge of the instrumental music, and where her two little girls are pupils. The chapel services this year have been unusually enjoyable in their music because Mr. Murray has presided at the organ. The frontispiece gives pictures of Elsa and Eleanor who are great favorites at the school.

The three little daughters of dear Mollie Landers Beall who died on Thanksgiving day, 1892, have had another great sorrow in the loss of their father, during the Christmas holidays. He had gone to Hagerstown where they were at school, to spend the vacation with them and there died. They are lovely children and have the heartfelt sympathy of a wide circle of friends.

Anna Kennedy,'80, very much to the regret of some of her old friends, found herself unable to be present at this year's Reunion and to respond to a toast.

Mrs. Alice Nokes Hall, '80, has been heard from very pleasantly, this winter, when her sister was in Washington. Her small son, Hezekiah has been entered at the Government School of Mines in New Mexico.

Mrs. Fannie Chase Pool and Mrs. Ella Marlow Harrison of '81, were both present at the Alumnæ Reunion, looking unusually well.

Since the death of her husband, eighteen months ago, Mrs. Addie Grandin Norton,'81, has been living

with her father, mother and married sister in Brookline, Massachusetts. Her father, we regret to hear, is quite ill, having been a confirmed invalid for many months. In writing of M. V. S. school days, Addie expresses the common longing of us all when she says: "Dear Mrs. Somers, how I have wished that I lived where I could see her often for her presence was like a benediction and her voice an inspiration."

Cornelia Morgan,'81, has gone with her family to Warm Springs, Virginia, where they have been joined by Mary Johnston the gifted writer of "To Have and to Hold," who paid them a short visit, this winter. Miss Mary Morgan who has just gone to Warm Springs from "Rock Rest" was present at the Alumnæ Reunion to the great pleasure of all such members of the Association as are privileged to know her.

Mrs. Nellie Vila Moore, '81, writes charmingly of her annual outings in the wilderness for the summer months, when in a party of from eight to twelve from all parts of the United States and England they sojourn in the Glorieta Mountains of New Mexico. Their Mecca on the upper Pecos is reached by a wagon ride of forty miles over roads scarcely more than trails, where with the snow-clad and crystal stream for highway they are so in the heart of nature that they see bucks, does, bears, hear "Kiotito's evening song in the mêsa" and have found the trail of a mountain lion high up on the hill side.

Hattie B. Walker, '81, is as popular as ever, her room this winter, when she was ill, having been a veritable bower of flowers. She has just been having a delightful visit at Rock Rest with Miss Mary Morgan, and has added one more to the many invaluable services she has rendered the Association by acting so ably as their President this past year.

Mrs. Gertrude Burnett Beach, '82, who was importuned last year for a personal letter to be read at the

1900 Reunion, writes: "These frequent calls for the story of my life almost persuade me that I have achieved greatness or that it is being thrust upon me, although I have really nothing to relate except the life of the average happily married woman."

Mrs. Regina Calder Mitchell,'82, is travelling abroad with her sister Mary Calder this summer, their itinerary including the North Cape.

Jessie Lacey,'82, has a studio in Evanston where she works two or three days of each week. At present she is engaged on several portraits.

Carolyn Porte,'82, has had this past winter among Washington ladies, very successful classes on "Current Events."

Mrs. Eleanor Foster Lansing, '84, spent all of last winter in Washington. Her home is in Watertown, New York, where she and her sister live next door to each other.

Mrs. Margaret Galt Stott, '84, is living at Taneytown, Maryland, and writes that her chief interests in life are her home and her son, two years old.

Edith Lacey, '84, is keeping house for her mother and father in Evanston, Illinois, and is evidently proficient in that art. She was East a year ago for several months.

Mrs. Jennie Nisbit Zarecor, '84, has built a home about 19 miles from Nashville, Tennessee, and writes enthusiastically of the joys of country life, her garden and her little family.

Mrs. Louise Prentiss True,'84, is living in Washington and is much interested in music. Her husband, Prof. True, is the representative of the National Museum at the Buffalo Exposition.

Mrs. Frances Scoville Wishard, '84, was in Washington last Spring. Her home is in Indianapolis,

Indiana. Mrs. Somers read a very pleasant greeting from her at this year's Reunion.

Mrs. May Dean Barnhisel,'84, is living on a hundred acre fruit ranch in California and enjoys the quiet country life.

Mrs. Mabel Crampton McCarrach,'85, writes: "My interests in life are three in number, a husband, a little girl Dorothy of six years, and a big little boy Jamie two-and-a-half years old. We are always to be found at our Brooklyn address except in summer, when we are at our Long Branch cottage. Last year we were abroad, however, during the summer, principally in Scotland where the cool weather repaid the extra inconvenience of travelling with children, luggage and a nurse. I should always be delighted to see or hear from any of my old M. V. S. friends."

Shortly after leaving school, Grace Finley,'85, took up a business career and has been so engaged ever since. At present she is with the American Surety Company of New York.

Agnes Inch,'85, has had quite a serious time of it this winter, having been ill and confined to her room, save for short rides, ever since the sixth of November. She is, however, we are happy to say, much better now.

Isabel Potter, '85, whose delightful visit at the Reunion two years ago left so pleasant an impression, writes that she has been doing Deaconess work under the Bishop of Connecticut in the villages near Hartford, and that her work grows so in interest and possibilities that it is all a joy and a happiness.

Mrs. Carrie Allen Van Horn,'86, speaks of her days as being all busy and all bright in caring for a growing family and a large house,

Harriet Staples, '86, is spending the summer in Chicago, and intends to take a course of study at the University of Chicago.

Mrs. Nettie Stinemetz Bains.'86, finds that most of her time goes into the care of her two boys and her household duties. She attended the Alumnæ Reunion in May.

Mrs. Marie Wilkinson Hodgkins, '86, has grown quite interested in everything connected with the Columbian University, being one of the "Lady Managers" of the Hospital, one of the "Patronesses" of the girls Greek letter fraternity Pi Beta Phi, and a member of the "Columbian Women."

Mrs. Alethea Luse Underwood,'87, spent last summer in Berkshire, England, and kept house in London till Christmas. After her return to America she was very ill and is now trying to regain her strength in San Francisco.

Mrs. Annie Price Simpson,'87, reports a very quiet happy year, full of home pleasures and cares. Her two children are both girls and therefore eligible to future membership in our Association.

Grace Willis,'87, has been quite often at M. V. S. this winter, her small niece Dorothy Robinson, being in the Primary Department. She spent last summer on a ranch in California.

One of the members of the Class of '88, Mary Bradford, most faithful and efficient in everything she undertakes, put the information she gleaned in regard to her class in the form of "Little Journeys" and writes:

"Taking them alphabetically meant a real journey, for Addie Burr Clark lives in New York, but her hospitable home is open especially to M. V. S. girls, and 'with the best man in the world and the dearest baby that ever lived,' what more could heart desire? Although a busy housekeeper, she finds time for much church work and a Boys' Club. She is also an officer of the St. Christopher's Home Board yet keeps up so

keen an interest in all that concerns M. V. S. that she has been absent from but two Reunions since she graduated.

Mary Bradford is busied over many things in her home, her church and her office ; in fact she is leading rather more of a strenuous life than is good for her and has had to go to Atlantic City for rest and recuperation, but she has constantly before her the words of her mother:

> 'Stretch out a helping hand
> To those who 'round thee stand
> Along the way.'

and so is trying to make her life worth while.

A journey to Mattie Lemon Cissel finds her at her country home at Washington Grove. With her interesting family of four little children, her life is fulfilling its highest aims in motherhood.

Rachel Coffin could not be separated for long from her dear friend Nannie Skillman, so the school acquaintance has blossomed into the closest possible ties of love and labor. They are both putting heart and soul into Kindergarten work and make sunshine wherever they go.

Clara Ford Nesbit is a home-maker and is not only devoted to her sturdy seven-year-old son, but keeps her heart open to all her husband's outside interests, including his Y. M. C. A. work.

Ada Stinemetz is with her mother helping in the many ways a daughter can towards the home life. She, Clara and Nellie Walker Clephane keep up rather a closer intimacy than the other girls can, because they live so near together. Nellie Walker Clephane has a delightful home and finds in her small daughter much company."

Florence DePauw,'89, spent the summer of 1900 in Europe and the winter of the same year in California.

Mary Force,'89, continues to teach in Selma, Alabama.

Florence Young,'89, has resumed the study of French at M. V. S.

Mrs. Edith Dingley Hooe,'90, is very proud of her small son, born last August, and writes that her aim in life, at present, is to get ahead of the little man.

Adèle Hancock,'90, has been recently enjoying a visit from her friend Miss Little of Amboy, Illinois.

Clara Kennedy,'90, is leading a quiet life at Kensington, Maryland. Her hobby is her collection of engravings and photographs of famous paintings.

Mrs. Naomi Naylor Huntt,'90, whose husband has been a physician in Laurel, Maryland, many years, still lives there, and has one child, a boy, who, to her great regret, can thus never bear any closer relation to dear M. V. S. than grandchild.

Lucy M. Ricker,'90, is a clever little doctor who is making a place for herself in the world.

Ina Taft,'90, writes that "she is acquiring years and discretion in the bosom of her family wherever time and tide may happen to carry her."

Mrs. Roberta Wolf Buehler,'90, has a dear little boy three years old, and is living in Lakeville, Connecticut.

Indirectly we have heard of Yoshi Kuki's little girl, and are so sorry we do not know the full names and ages of her children for publication in our list of grandbabies.

Mrs. L. J. Tanner Barnes,'90, has just met with a great sorrow in the death of her father, Ex-Governor Tanner of Illinois.

Edna Tune,'90 is living in Washington leading a busy, cheerful life.

A long letter from Anna Beebe Keller,'91, tells of her arrival and settlement in Montana. Mr. Keller is manager of a large insurance firm in Butte and Anna

expects to make that place their home for several years. She writes that she saw Myrtle Baird Chrisholm, with her husband and baby, in Denver.

Eleanor Brush Hempstead,'91, who is living in Meadville, Pennsylvania, is enjoying the pleasure of a town boasting two colleges. There is quite an M. V. S. settlement in Meadville, Rebie Flood Irvin and Maude Cox Boynton, also Anna Davis Flood. She sends love and greeting to all friends at M. V. S.

Mrs. Phila Calder Nye,'91, manages for so small a little lady to fill so large a part in the hearts and life of M. V. S. that the marvel is how we ever did without her before she came. She will spend part of the summer in the Adirondacks.

Elsa Chamberlain Mower,'91, has been spending a winter in Chicago and studying under Mrs. Adams.

Mrs. Frances Clapp Hall,'91, writes of Pittsburg and Mr. Hall's position as member of the Stock Exchange. She expects soon to move to a larger house, and is getting as much pleasure as possible out of growing Pittsburg.

Grace Edwards, '91, has spent the years since graduation in studying art both in Washington and in New York.

Mrs. Izzie Herrick Wilson,'91, writes that her one important event during the past year is the birth of her daughter Dorothy. This news, with her love and greeting, she sends to the Alumnæ Association.

Mrs. Marion Lilley Boyd,'91, is equally as proud in the birth of her small son Frank. She has changed her Washington address to "The Gladstone."

Mrs. Clara Seipp Bartholomay,'91, is travelling with her husband and her little boy abroad.

Mrs. Sara Bainbridge Warren,'91, has sent a picture of her charming three year old son to the School. He

has fluffy golden curls, big brown eyes and evidently knows what he wants. One of her brothers is at Harvard the other is an army officer in the Philippines.

As for young Master Carroll Wright McPherson, who won all hearts when he and his mother, Cornelia Wright McPherson,'91, were in Washington on a visit this spring, although his first birthday anniversary is as far removed as late August, he already bids fair to outstrip his mother in the matter of size before many years.

Nellie Ford,'92, and Stella Ford,'98, though living at quite a distance from Washington are always among the first to prove, in every possible way, their interest in M. V. S. and their close connection with everything concerning her.

The success of the luncheon at the Reunion this year was largely due to the experienced little chairman of the "Refreshment Committee," Helen Hurst of the class of '92, who is another member of the Association who may always be counted on to do whatever she undertakes most beautifully.

Anna Hasselman, '92, spent the winter in Chicago studying art and voice work with Mrs. Millward Adams

Grace Bentley, '93, who has been teaching and is thoroughly enjoying her work, has made a specialty of English literature. In April, she read a paper at a meeting of the teachers of Central Nebraska.

Elizabeth B. Dare,'93, was married December 19th, 1900, at St. Marks Pro-Cathedral, Washington, D. C., to Mr John H. Sothoron.

Alice E. Edwards, '93, returned from Europe last summer and spent the warm months with Mrs. Somers at "Rock Rest." This winter she was in Chicago studying music and also enjoying work with Mrs. Millward Adams.

Mrs. Anna Hoeke Mapes, '93, has gone to housekeeping in New Rochelle and is very happy in her delightful home there. Her husband has just written a play in which Hackett is to take a prominent part next winter.

Countess Beulah Hubbell Wachtmeister, '93, took the Nile trip in January and February with her husband, returning, in March, to Paris, France, where they now live.

Mary McCauley, '93, has been traveling in Europe for the past six months, and will return to America sometime in the fall.

Mrs. Gertrude Mellen Fuller, '93, has gone to California to live.

Mrs. Luella Peck Wadsworth, '93, spent some weeks last winter at Palm Beach, Florida. For seven months of the year she is to be found at her summer home, Grosse Pointe, Mich.

Emaugene Peters, '93, was in Washington during last winter and attended the Inauguration Ball. She expects to visit the Pan-American Exposition this summer.

Corinne Shellabarger, '93, expects to spend the summer again with her sister in Colorado Springs. She has become quite a sportswoman, carrying off the honors, last fall, at Camp, for big game, having killed a "ten point" buck.

Mrs. Lillie Bowen Fairfax, '94, is to spend the summer, at New Windsor in Western Maryland.

Mrs. Hedwig Brand Gotfried, '94, will be in Chicago most of the summer. The Gotfrieds are building a new house there. With art classes, athletic club *and* the baby Hedwig seems very busy. Last November she gave a charming luncheon for Josephine Booge just before the latter's wedding. A number of M.V.S.

girls were present, those of the Alumnæ being Alice McCabe, '92, Mrs. Laura Booge Bent, '92, Anna Hasselman, '92, and Elsie Edwards, '93.

Mazie Killingsworth Brown, '94, has been taking a course in English, preparatory to literary work. Within the past year several of her articles have appeared in the newspapers and magazines.

Ella Dare, '94, writes that she has nothing interesting to tell of herself, but even that is better than hearing nothing from her.

Louise Duvall, '94, tells the same story, "busy, but doing nothing much."

Elise Dufour Ryan, '94, has been living in Omaha this winter. The Ryans have been keeping house there.

Edith Hancock and Ora Joe Hemphill, '94, have been in Washington most of the winter, but will spend the summer on the Massachusetts coast.

We are sorry to hear of the death of Dr. McDermott in May. He was the father of Rosamond McDermott Camp.

Frances Marion Trimble, '94, has been devoting her winter to music and china painting and having a good time.

Mabel Walker, '94, is to spend part of the summer with her sister Cora Walker Hayes, '80, in Manitou, Colorado.

A letter comes from Cecyl White, '94, from Kissingen, Bavaria. She is travelling with her mother, and later they go to the Land of the Midnight Sun, returning to America in September.

Grace Wright, '94, will spend the summer as usual in Massachusetts.

Blanche Baber, '95, has recently returned from a trip around the world. In March she attended the Inaugural Ball in Washington.

Ethel Bogan, '95, spent part of the spring at Atlantic City and later attended the ball at the Naval Academy, Annapolis.

Mrs. Lalla Ruth Carr Patton, '95, has been living at the old Patton homestead in Curwensville, Pennsylvania, since her marriage last fall.

One of the pleasant things about M. V. S. life is the loving way Mrs. Somers' girls remember her and the School associations even when far distant, and hang the chapel walls with the beautiful pictures that stand for so much both in their lives and ours. One of the finest, as well as one of the most appreciated of all these pictures, is the superb copy of Sargent's "Prophets" sent by Mrs. Lida Carr Flower, to whom the most grateful thanks of everyone connected with the school are due. Mrs. Somers values this thought of her girls so highly, that she will allow no one but herself to superintend the hanging of the these chapel gifts, and, this summer, is to re-arrange all the pictures to make room for this great addition and to give each its most advantageous light. In the meanwhile the library has profited by the temporary placing of the "Prophets" there and the librarian will find it hard to reconcile herself to its loss.

May Catlin, '95, attended Art School in Washington last winter.

Edna Lake, '95, expects to go abroad next year.

The wedding of Caroline McCabe, '95, and Mr. Philip Sidney Morgan of Baltimore took place April 9th at her home in Evanston. Their future home will be on a ranch near Big Springs, Texas. Among the M. V. S. girls present at the wedding were Mary Alice

McCabe, '92, Blanche Baber, '95, Elsie Edwards, '93, and Anna Hasselman, '92.

Nora Michener, '95, spent some weeks in Indianapolis this spring.

Marguerite Otis, '95, was in Hot Springs, Arkansas, for part of the winter recuperating from a long illness.

Early in June, cards were received at the school for the wedding of Honora Patton, '95, to Dr. Edmond Louis Gros. After August first, Dr. Gros and his charming bride are to be found at 28 rue de Ponthieu, Paris, France.

Grace Weymouth, '95, was in New York last winter studying music with Edward MacDowell.

The engagement is announced of Lillian Plant, '95, to Mr. Huyler Cox of Baltimore. The wedding will take place in the Fall.

Blanche Polkinghorn, '95, has been studying vocal music with Dr. Bischoff in Washington the last two years.

Margaret Birney, '96, expects, with her family, to take a delightful trip this summer. Beginning with a two weeks visit to Chautauqua, they will go on to Buffalo for the Exposition and from there will make the tour of the Thousand Islands and Canada.

Elizabeth Duncan, '96, was married on the 15th of August, 1900, to Mr. Edward Duncan Mallam—and now lives at Russellville, Ky.

Bertha Ellis, '96, as Recording Secretary of the Alumnæ Association has been often at M. V. S. during the past year. One of the pleasures of an Annual Staff of Alumnæ officers, is that, turn by turn, it brings so many of the girls back into close touch with the Alma Mater.

Florence Grandin, '96, made a visit to Washington both on her way South and on her return. She spent

several months at Ormond, and a shorter time in St. Augustine and other parts of Florida. She also spent some time at Asheville, North Carolina.

Carrie Janney,'96, is still a member of the Faculty of M. V. S. and her exhibit of the clay modeling and drawing done by the children of the Primary Department one of the interesting things about the closing school exercises.

Florence King,'96, spent some time in Florida this winter being at Palm Beach while Mrs. Somers was there.

Mary Lutz,'96, has been gradually recovering from quite a severe strain of nervous prostration—but seems far on the road to health now, and is looking unusually well.

Florence Miller, '96, sailed on June 1st for a several month's trip abroad.

Mrs. Alberta Rearick Weaver, '96, is spending the summer at Washington Grove, Maryland.

Marsh Reese,'96, in writing of her regret at being unable to attend the "Reunion" says; "I do so enjoy that annual visiting with familiar faces, and it is now two years since I have seen any of the school people, except those whom I have visited or who have visited me" She was bridesmaid for Flora Campbell in Texas this winter, and expects later to be in Buffalo for the Pan-American Exposition.

Eleanor Sowers,'96, is spending the summer in Canada. In the fall they will move into the house on Massachusetts Avenue formerly occupied by Secretary and Mrs. Gage.

Grace Terrill,'96, was present at the Alumnæ Reunion in May, six members of the class of '96 being in attendance.

Frances Thirlkeld, '96, spent the winter in New York, March at the Jekyl Island Club, Jekyl Island, Georgia, and April in the mountains of West Virginia. She will be all summer at Richfield Springs.

Mrs. Blanche Wilson Hampson, '96, with her husband and boy were in New York for last Winter.

Edith Birney, '97, expects to complete her course in medicine at Hahnemann College, Chicago, next year. Her plans for the summer are still unsettled, she says "pleasure is very tempting on one side and her work almost as much so on the other."

Since Sallie Conn's return to Elkhart, she has been at home the greater part of the time, except during the summer months.

Maud Cook, '97, says she "has been traveling about more or less aimlessly," and did expect to be in Washington for the fourth of March, even had her trunk packed, but her plans were changed.

Bernice Heefner, '97, wishes she "had something wildly exciting to tell about herself," but adds that "it seems to be her fate to lead a very uneventful life." She was in Washington for a visit during March.

The news from Molly Knapp, '97, is not as encouraging as we all so wish it could be. She is still in Dr. Lee's Sanitarium, Rochester, New York. She has the warmest sympathy of all her classmates and numerous friends.

Alice Murphy, '97, spent part of last summer in Connecticut, and this summer expects to meet her brother at Buffalo in June and visit the Pan-American Exposition. If she can, she is going through Elkhart and Goshen for a glimpse of the girls there.

Norinne Sanders, '97, has had a busy life since she left the school. She has been studying French, belongs to two interesting literary clubs, some church

and charitable organizations, the Y. M. C. A. Auxiliary and the D. A. R. She was in Cuba last winter and wrote an interesting account of her visit for the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Church, which was published in the Chattanooga News of April 20.

Ella Thomas,'97, since her return from abroad two years ago has been living with her sister in Boston. This spring she has been having "a most glorious time every minute" visiting friends and relatives in Cincinnati and Kentucky.

Grace Watkins,'97, is glad to be home again after a delightful trip to California. She will remain there during the summer and is anticipating a trip abroad next winter.

Grace Phillips,'97, voices the sentiment expressed in so many of the girl's letters, that of hoping they can have a class re-union. The latter part of June she expects to go out to Denver for a visit and later in the summer will go to Buffalo.

Alice Adams, '98, visited in April Elizabeth Dalton, her then future sister-in-law, who married John Adams early in June and is now settled at "The Victoria," Indianapolis. Alice attended the wedding and then went to Williams College for Commencement.

The engagement is announced of Maude Deterding, '98, to Mr. Carleton Ferris of Big Rapids, Michigan. They are not to be married for another year.

Sue Elmore expects to be in Washington, next winter, and has been elected President of the Alumnæ Association.

Stella Ford,'98, is one of the invited guests for a house party given in June and part of July at Lewisburgh, Pennsylvania, by Mary Matlock an M. V. S. girl.

Florence Mixter, '98, visited Maude Deterding in May, and expects, this summer, to travel through the East.

Florence Polkingham, '98, paid a visit to the West this winter.

Helen Slater, '98, is very much improved in health and has gone to the Maine Coast for the summer.

Mary Wylie, '98, had quite a gay winter, having been at Hot Springs, North Carolina, Knoxville, Tennessee, West Point and Annapolis, She was in Washington during the Inauguration, and describes the West Point and Annapolis cadets at the Inaugural Parade as "beautiful"—a compliment which they probably returned with high interest.

May Butler, '99, our efficient Corresponding Secretary of the year just closed, has had a busy, pleasant winter with her music, French, the various social demands of Washington life and trips to Philadelphia, Old Point Comfort and Atlantic City. She has just gone to the latter place for the summer.

Katharine Edmonston, '99, spent much of the spring in preparation for her sister's wedding—and in entertaining a number of friends among whom was Helen Palmer known and dear to all recent M. V. S. graduates.

In a letter recently received, Floretta Elmore, '99, says: "The two years since graduation have been such busy, happy ones that I can hardly wish myself back at school, save for Commencement and the sight of dear, familiar faces. We have spent our winters in California and our summers here in Astoria, where golf, tennis and horse-back riding keep us always in the open air." If rumors are to be credited, Floretta's "happiness" has a substantial basis.

Mrs. Elizabeth Fletcher Slaughter, '99, is the very proud and devoted mother of the class baby of '99,

and is already laying plans for a class reunion, when this same adorable Master Henry is to be presented.

Alice Henry, '99, sailed from New York May the 15th for an extended trip abroad. The exodus for Europe was made by the whole Henry family, with the exception of one son already in Germany, and they will remain, at least until the fall—and perhaps until next spring.

Lilian Lake, '99, describes herself as "a very busy person unable to account for her time." She is working hard with her music under a Baltimore Professor whom she likes very much.

May Libbey, '99, spent last summer at Warm Springs, Virginia, and has enjoyed the past winter greatly with its reading, its social pleasures and its visiting. She keeps in close touch with M. V. S. not only as a resident of Washington, but chiefly because, having a sister in next year's Senior class, she is kept informed of all school news.

Elizabeth Lucas, '99, thinks Washington, D. C., stands for Washington *dear city*, because everything connected with M. V. S. is so attractive to her. Last spring she studied music with Mr. Sherwood in Chicago, but has had to give up all work on account of the illness of her father, who is, however, slowly recovering from a stroke of paralysis. She sends a greeting to

"All ninety-niners
The brilliant shiners."

Elise Painter, '99, has been an extensive traveller since January, when, after the death of her father, she and her mother went abroad. They sailed from England on a P. and O. steamer for India, in which interesting country they travelled two thousand miles, visiting Bombay, Calcutta, Delhi, Benares, Agra where they saw the Taj Mahal, and many other places. From India they went to Egypt, making the

Nile trip and visiting Luxor, etc., from Egypt to Constantinople and Smyrna and from there to Greece. They were fortunate enough to be in Athens at Easter and saw the great public ceremonies of the Greek church, at which the Royal family and officials were much in evidence. After quite a tour of Italy, familiar ground to them, they went to Paris, and sailed for home in June.

Helen Palmer,'99, writes that the only event of importance in her life during the past year has been a change of home from New York to Milton-on-the-Hudson, and that she is just living a happy life, trying to carry out the best principles instilled at dear old M. V. S. During the Inauguration she visited Washington, and was at an Alumnæ Tea when seven '99 girls were present and had a jolly reunion.

Helen Pennypacker,'99, and her mother issued cards for an "At Home" at their Wilmington residence last November. Helen's many friends hoped to greet her again at the Alumnæ Reunion, but at the last moment she was forced to send regrets, to the great disappointment of a number.

Laura Pratt,'99, spent some time in Washington in the early winter, being detained here by the extreme illness of her mother, who was unable to journey farther west—and whose death in February calls forth, for Laura, the sincerest sympathy of the Association.

Fanny Stocking,'99, reports herself as "hard at work on the problem of making something out of nothing."

A little note from the honored and honorary member of the class of '99 will bring great happiness to his favored classmates. In it he writes:

"May I not say, in exchange for the 'Annual,' how deeply I appreciate the honor of being upon its roll of members, and how sincerely I wish for you individual and combined happiness and success in life.

Faithfully, your friend and associate,

F. HOPKINSON SMITH."

The class of 1900 carries off the banner record for the year. Fifteen of its seventeen members were at M. V. S. at some time between October and June; ten were present at the Reunion—one was Toast-mistress, eight took part in the fine Alumnæ Play, and the Play-right herself, Faith Bradford, was a 1900 girl. What more could be said? Those present at the Reunion were Helen Birney, Faith Bradford, Theda Buck, Margaret Cox, Grace Janney, Franceska Kaspar, Marian Lutz, Frances Marsh, Helen Michener and Grace Shoppell. The coming out Teas were Helen Michener's, December nineteenth, Grace Janney's, December twenty-eighth and Jessie Dimmick's, February fifth.

The engagement is announced of Helen Birney, 1900, to Mr. Charles R. Gantz, of Baltimore.

Theda Buck, 1900, and Katharine Buck came to Washington, to the delight of their many friends, to attend the closing festivities of the school year.

Hannah Calder, 1900, made a three weeks visit to Cambridge, Massachusetts, in April.

Margaret Cox, 1900, came back to M. V. S. this year for post-graduate work.

Jessse Dimmick, 1900, spent the social season with her grandparents in Washington, where she had her "Tea" in February.

Helen Forrest, 1900, and Janette Hamlin paid a flying visit to M. V. S. on their way South this winter.

There were three "little sisters" of 1900 in school this year. Mae Press and Lucy Tolerton came to enter Belle Press and May Tolerton in the fall, while at Easter Mae Press and Gertrude Hinman made Belle Press and Belle Hinman perfectly happy by visits. Lucy Tolerton is in Mrs. Hensley's European party.

Grace Janney, 1900, has been taking a Kindergarten course this winter and is a most enthusiastic pupil.

Permelia Curtis came on to attend the various closing events of the M. V. S. year—and was warmly greeted by numerous friends. She had a five weeks visit from Bendena Hudson before the latter went abroad.

The record closes for another year. To all dear M. V. S. girls greeting and good-bye for another twelve months.

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

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EDITORIAL.

Another year bears witness to Mount Vernon's ever-widening influence, and, for the fourth time in the history of the School, seventeen graduates have been cordially welcomed by the Alumnæ Association. It is a pleasure to note and comment upon the steadily increasing prestige of our Alma Mater, for its gold and white is now worn by two hundred and fifty graduates, and the ideas and traditions of M. V. S. are carried forward in circles which broaden with each Commencement season.

The closing days of school passed by with only one cloud. All missed the dear lady whose gracious presence is the inspiration of every gathering, and the American Beauty roses that were sent, in the name of the Alumnæ Association, reached her bedside, bound with many loving thoughts and loyal good wishes.

The past year has been a prosperous one for the Association. Twenty-two members responded to a call for an extra meeting this spring, and it was then decided to have a series of social affairs during the coming winter. Individuals or classes are to have charge of the various programs for these occasions and light refreshments will be served. It is the earnest desire of the resident Alumnæ to establish a closer relationship among the graduates and to keep alive

the fires of enthusiasm and devotion which will make Mount Vernon and her standard-bearers a small power in the world's work.

The School Annual this year is smaller than usual, but plans are being considered whereby, in the near future, it may be possible to issue a Year Book which will be a credit to the School and a delight to the Alumnæ.

The sorrows have crowded fast upon the pleasures, and we all sadly mourn the loss of two of our members, but in all our troubles and joys there is one to whom we may always turn for help and comfort, one who is always ready to guide and befriend—our dear Mrs. Somers.

FRANCES MERRIMAN MARSH, *Chairman.*
LAURA BLANCHE POLKINHORN.

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REPORT OF THE

ANNUAL REUNION.

THE Annual Reunion of the MOUNT VERNON SEMINARY ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION was held in the School Chapel, Saturday, May 24, 1902.

The Class of 1902 was introduced by Miss Ames, and warmly welcomed into the Association by the President, Miss Elmore, in a delightful address, to which the Class President, Miss Root, graciously responded.

The roll call was answered to by seventy-five members, and by a number of messages from absent ones.

The President appointed Miss Eddy, Miss Goldsborough and Miss Stocking a committee to draw up resolutions on the death of Grace Louise Harding, 1901. A letter was read from Mr. and Mrs. Hammond gratefully acknowledging the resolutions sent them by the Association on the death of their daughter, Bertha Hammond McPhatter.

Mrs. Nye read a report from a special committee on social meetings. It has been decided by the committee to have six entertainments during the coming winter. This new feature of the Association promises to be a very delightful one.

After the business meeting the following program was much enjoyed:

Songs—*a*) Du bist wie eine Blume.....*Cantor.*

b) I Cannot Help Loving Thee,

Clayton Johns.

MISS LAURA BLANCHE POLKINHORN.

Song—An Old Garden,

MISS ALICE EDWARDS.

Scene—Written by FAITH BRADFORD, 1900.

"The time is next New Year's Eve, the place, a bit of hall in an English home, the actors speak for themselves; and if there is the suggestion of a stock company, search your own and your neighbor's breasts for the reason."

Enacted by MISS FAITH BRADFORD, MISS ETHEL BOGAN and MISS BERTHA ELLIS.

Songs—*a*) This Would I do.....*Chapman.*

b) Until God's Day.....*Dudley Buck.*

MRS. FAIRFAX.

Songs—*a*) Were My Song with Wings Provided, *Halm.*

b) Janet's Choice,

MISS FRANCESCA KASPAR.

Duet—Tuscan Folk Song,

MISS FRANCESCA KASPAR.

MISS ALICE EDWARDS.

The meeting was then adjourned and the members repaired to the Reading Room, where a dainty luncheon was served. A new feature was a cleverly prepared menu card.

Mrs. Mazie Brown Mèsny, as toastmistress, proposed some novel toasts, which were ably responded to.

The only shadow cast upon the pleasure of this Reunion was Mrs. Somers' absence. As an expression of sorrow the Association sent a bunch of American Beauty roses to Mrs. Somers, with loving wishes for her speedy recovery.

With the singing of the School song another enjoyable Reunion was brought to a close.

RACHEL J. COFFIN,

Recording Secretary.

Treasurer's Report for Year Ending June 30, 1902.

Receipts.

Balance in treasury, June 30, 1901.....	$90.88
Received by Margaret M. Birney, dues 1901-1902	222.10
	$312.98

Disbursements.

Paid W. F. Roberts for Annuals, 1901....	$90.75
Paid W. F. Roberts for cards (business meetings)	3.00
Paid W. F. Roberts for name cards	2.50
Paid W. F. Roberts for reunion invitations and new plate	16.75
Paid W. F. Roberts for Menu cards	11.00
Paid Caroline Janney for postage for Annuals	4.65
Paid Maurice Joyce for lithographing	3.50
Paid Faith Bradford for costumes for play	5.00
Paid May Libbey, Corresponding Secretary, for stamps	9.00
Paid Treasurer for stamps for fee notices .	6.16
Paid Frances Marsh for telegram	.69
Paid Chas. Rauscher for luncheon	110.75
Paid postals for acknowledging receipt of fees	.90
	$264.65

Amount received	$312.98
Amount expended	264.65
Balance on hand June 30, 1902....	$48.33

Margaret M. Birney,
Treasurer.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

Members of the Class of 1902:

Four years ago today, when I, as a member of the Class of '98, stood trembling before this august body for admittance into its realm, little did I think it would ever become my duty and pleasure to extend the welcome of the Association to the Alumnæ Baby.

I welcome you today most heartily into the life and the work of the Alumnæ Association, and in so doing I feel sure I am expressing the wish of every Alumna.

Do not think by stepping out of the school-room you have left your work behind, for you will find this only another field for your effort.

The Association needs help from all of its members, and each of you will find an opportunity to do your share of the burden-bearing. So keep up your school energy and enthusiasm.

To accomplish any task which may be asked of us is a lesson we have all learned during our school life at M. V. S. We hope you will remember this lesson, and do with your might what your hands find to do.

No man is born into the world,
Whose work is not born with him;
There is always work and tools to
Work withal for those who will.
The busy world shoves angrily aside
The man who stands with arms akimbo set,
Until occasion tells him what to do;
And he who waits to have his task marked out
Shall die and leave his errand unfulfilled.

Your fame has preceded you. You come to us a gifted band, one as a dramatist, another with great executive ability; others literarily inclined. There is none of you without at least the one talent.

Come to these Reunions as often as you can, even if you have to come three thousand miles to do so.

The chain of hearts that has been linked each to each from '76 to now, form the dearest chain that M. V. S. can own—her Alumnæ of sweet girl graduates.

The chain is never finished, and each link which these dear teacher hands help to mould and burnish adds lustre to the chain, until today our chain of loyal hearts to M. V. S. reaches half around the world.

Let us keep in touch with M. V. S. and be here each year to welcome to our chain the yearly links of gold.

SUE H. ELMORE,
President.

Miss President and Members of the Alumnæ Association:

Among the many varied emotions which the long-desired but fateful step of graduation brings with it, there is none which must give us greater pause than this—our entry into the august ranks of the Alumnæ Association of M. V. S.

There have been many moments in our school-life when, to be a member of the Class of 1902, seemed to us the very end and aim of all human ambition; but perspectives change with the point of view, and somehow this last timid little walk up the well-known aisle trodden so often before in proud consciousness of seniority, has taught us a new lesson whereby we realize fully, for the first time, that the old order changeth! truly, for us today!

We are humbly grateful for your kind welcome to us; we mean to be worthy of all your pleasant words. It would not be becoming were we to boast of past achievements, but our career has not been all play, and at least our number work is beyond the passing average. Seven has ever been a mystic, magic word, and when our *seven*teen is added to the one thousand and five of M. V. S., the sum total will, we hope, produce the perfect result, which answer must be proven later by careful and exact following of the pattern example you so plainly demonstrate to us here and now.

We appreciate your expressions of cordial good-will, and with each step of our humble descent from Senior first to Alumnæ l(e)ast, we would loyally pledge our class and ourselves to the abiding honor of M. V. S. So—

Although we're young, and should only be seen,
We can't help saying—we, seventeen,
That whatever the future may bring to you,
'Twill gladly be shared by 1902;
And all of the many things you say
So nice and kind, the best today
Is—that you give us, and confess
Our Alumnæ place at M. V. S.

THE ALUMNÆ LUNCHEON.

The Alumnæ luncheon proper was a very enjoyable affair this year, thanks to an efficient committee, consisting of Miss Mary Bradford, Miss Swope, Miss Eddy and Miss Halford, and to the charming toastmistress, Mrs. Mazie Brown Mèsny, who, with her seven able helpers in the ones who responded to toasts, furnished the "skirmish of wit."

The motif of the toasts was suggested in Mrs. Mèsny's opening remarks, when she said: "This Reunion comes at the time of the year when we are all contemplating summer trips by land and sea, so I propose, with your kind permission, to take the Association on a "specially conducted tour," which will consist of a series of "Little Journeys." These "Little Journeys," which were all admirably conducted and thoroughly appreciated were:

"LITTLE JOURNEYS."

TO THE SCHOOL . . . . . Miss Catherine Ridgely, '02

"At the House of Somers there are twelve wells
and seventy palm trees."

OF OBSERVATION—Are M. V. S. Girls Representative?

Miss Duvall, '94

"Am I pray
The Gibson girl?
Am I the worldling he depicts
The 'up-to-date'
Self-seeking, mercenary, shrewd?"

TO THE HOMES OF THE ALUMNÆ,

Miss Laura Blanche Polkinhorn, '95

"I will attend my husband,
And therefore let me have him here with me."
Comedy of Errors.

"Why should not then we women act alone?
Or whence are men so necessary grown?"
Dryden.

THE BIRTHPLACE OF M. V. S.—WASHINGTON,
MISS FLORENCE GRANDIN, '96

"The high east
Stands, as the Capitol, directly *here.*"
Julius Caesar.

"FIRST STEPS" . . . . . MISS KATHARINE HILL, '02

"Destiny waits just around the corner."
Elbert Hubbard.

INTO THE WIDE, WIDE WORLD—AFTER M. V. S. WHAT?
MISS MARSH, '00

"The object of teaching a child is to enable him
to get along without his teacher."
Elbert Hubbard.

It was the great regret of every Alumna that dear Mrs. Somers could not be present, and many loving thoughts went to her sick room, so that when the seventh toast was proposed by Mrs. Mèsny, it was the most unanimously taken journey of all:

"To Mrs. Somers, with our love and an armful of flowers."

Miss Mary Bradford, carrying a huge bunch of American Beauty roses, responded to this toast:

Mt. Vernon Girls:

Can we not this afternoon make one more "Little Journey," this time to the bedside of the dear woman whom we all love and miss so sorely this Reunion season? Let us carry her these beautiful flowers from the Association and express our heartfelt wish for her speedy recovery, saying, as Robert Louis Stevenson once said of a dear friend:

"We have heard you speak time and again, and we remember nothing that was unkind, nothing that was untrue, nothing that was not helpful from your lips! God bless you!"

It is with great regret that, owing to the decision of the Association to reduce the size of the Annual, the Editorial Committee cannot print the toasts in full. Mention, however, must be made of the delightful innovation in the way of a menu program, prepared by Mrs. Mèsny. This dainty little program of four pages, with the Alumnæ seal in gold

and white outside, added greatly to the pleasure of the occasion, containing, as it did, not only the menu and the toasts, but the committees, the officers and all desired information. The quotations selected by Mrs. Mèsny were so apt that the Editorial Committee begs leave to call attention to a few, such as the

Welcome:

"Look in our eyes! Your welcome waits you there,
North, South, East, West, from all and everywhere!"

The Menu:

"Come, let's fall to; and gentle girl eat this."

Olives:

"The superfluous, a very necessary thing."

Bonbons:

"Perdition catch my soul
But I do love thee!"

The interlude between the Menu and the Toasts:

"And fell asleep after dinner, and did not hear the conversation of the gods."

In fact, all the quotations were so apropos that selection is difficult.

The committees and officers were:

COMMITTEES.

"Join we together for the public good
In what we can." *Henry VI.*

EDITORIAL.

"I am told you write in public prints; ef true
It's nateral you should know a thing or two!"
Lowell.

MISS MARSH. MISS BLANCHE POLKINHORN.

ENTERTAINMENT.

"The labor we delight in."

MISS FAITH BRADFORD. MISS ELSIE EDWARDS,
MISS FRANCES MARSH.

LUNCHEON.

"I charge thee invite them all; let in the tide
Of knaves once more; my cook and I'll provide."
Timon of Athens.

MISS MARY BRADFORD, MISS JOSEPHINE EDDY,
MISS SWOPE, MISS HALFORD.

OFFICERS.

"For some must follow, and some command."

Longfellow.

PRESIDENT.

"You were crowned before
And that high royalty was ne'er plucked off."

King John.

MISS SUE ELMORE.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

"We have done the State some service and they know it."

Othello.

MISS LOUISE DUVALL MISS GRACE WILLIS.

SECRETARIES,

"And seeing the place get rapidly cleared,
I, too, snatched my notes, and forthwith disappeared."

Lowell.

MISS RACHEL COFFIN, MISS MAY LIBBEY.

TREASURER.

"Goodness is the only investment that never fails."

Thoreau.

MISS MARGARET BIRNEY.

Those who were present will regret that the whole Association could not enjoy the clever toasts, the attractive toastmistress and the very pleasant Reunion.

COMMENCEMENT WEEK.

THE closing days of School this year were marked by the usual May festivities. The program was as follows:

Friday, May 23.—School Day Exercises and Luncheon.
Saturday, May 24.—Alumnæ Reunion.
Sunday, May 25.—School Sermon.
Monday, May 26.—Class Night Play.
Tuesday, May 27.—Graduating Exercises.

School Day exercises were held in the chapel, which was tastefully decorated with palms and daisies. The program consisted of music and recitations, with the presentation of the banner by Miss Mabel Root to the President of 1903. The exercises closed with the abdication of the Senior seats of '02 to the Class of '03. Then followed the social hour and luncheon, which is so enjoyable to every member of the School.

On Monday evening, at the banquet hall of the New Willard, the Senior Class presented a three-act drama, entitled "The Duke of Devonshire," written by Miss Katharine Hill, a member of the class.

On Tuesday morning the many friends of '02 again gathered at the New Willard, and after some beautiful music, had the pleasure of hearing Dr. Merrill E. Gates, ex-President of Amherst, who spoke on the subject of "New Education for Women and the Old-time Graces." After the address Mrs. Hensley, in a few words, presented the diplomas to the seventeen graduates.

MARRIAGES.

At Washington, D. C., in July, Miss Ivy Green, '94, to Mr. Royden D. Chase of this city.

On August 1, 1901, at Alexander, Miss Florence R. Young, '89, to Mr. Charles W. S. Rague.

On October 2, 1901, at Galloway, Ohio, Miss Emaugene L. Peters, '93, to Dr. William Oscar Haldy.

On October 12, 1901, at the Church of the Covenant, Miss Mazie F. Killingsworth Brown, '94, to Mr. Arthur Bonamy Le Patourel Mèsny, of Alderney, Channel Islands, England.

On October 30, at Taylorville, Ill., Miss Maud Evolyn Deterding, '98, to Mr. Carleton Gillespie Ferris.

On November 6, Miss Helen Conway Birney, 1900, to Mr. Charles Raymond Gantz, of Baltimore.

On December 6, 1901, Miss Lillian Louise Plant, '95, to Mr. Richard Hyland Cox, of Baltimore.

On February 12, 1902, Miss Helen Marie Michener, 1900, to Mr. Griffin Halstead.

On April 16, 1902, Miss Martha Cox Jarvis, '99, to Mr. Charles Emerson Hood.

DEATHS.

At Putnam, Conn., on October 18, 1901, Mrs. Neil MacPhatter (Bertha E. Hammond, '92).

On Wednesday, May 21, 1902, Grace Louise Harding, '01, aged twenty years and ten months.

In Washington, D. C., June 25, 1901, Louis Smith Holden, son of Augustus R. and Adalyn S. Holden, aged eight months and fourteen days.

In Washington, D. C., in March, 1902, Mrs. Stinemetz, mother of Mrs. R. D. Bains (Nettie Stinemetz, '86) and of Mary Ada Stinemetz, '88.

At Capitol View, Ind., Mrs. Kennedy, mother of Anna Mary Kennedy, '80, and Clara Celinda Kennedy, '90.

In Washington, D. C., April 17, Dr. Jenna Butler, father of Jenna May Butler, '99.

In July, 1901, Mr. Keith Calder, brother of Mrs. Jos. K. Nye (Phila Calder), '91.

IN MEMORIAM.

BERTHA HAMMOND MACPHATTER,

OCTOBER 18, 1901.

Aften ten years the links of our class chain have been broken, and our dear Bertha has gone to join the Choir Invisible; her sweet, patient spirit has at last found the rest awaiting her. To us, her classmates, and to all who have ever known her, there was much of inspiration in the purity and strength of her beautiful character. Faithful in all things, never thinking of self, she endeared herself to all who knew her. Her blythe spirit enlivened us, while her earnestness and seriousness of purpose fixed a goal toward which we all may strive.

To those nearest and dearest toward whom she bore the most sacred relations that God has made possible upon earth, we come in tenderest sympathy and love.

"I sigh sometimes to see thy face,
But since this cannot be,
I'll leave thee to the care of Him
Who cares for thee and me;
And though our lives be separate—
Apart, yet not afar,
Only a thin veil hangs between
The pathways where we are."

ALICE MCCABE,
ANNE SARGENT GILBERT.

GRACE LOUISE HARDING,

MAY 21, 1902.

Our hearts have been sorely grieved by the death of Grace Louise Harding, a member of the Class

of 1901. Her sudden death, just a year almost to a day, from her graduation, seems doubly sorrowful, for she was just starting on the real life work. She was ill nearly all winter, but bore her suffering with patience, courage and cheerfulness, ever showing by her thoughtful ways her faith in the guidance of a Divine Power. We have lost a dear friend, and find it hard to realize she has gone from "our circle" never more to return.

Our deepest sympathy is with her father and mother and with her own classmates, whose number is so sadly broken.

RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, Our Heavenly Father has seen fit to remove from our midst our friend and classmate,

GRACE HARDING,

Resolved, That the Alumnæ Association, by this means, express their great sorrow at her early death;

Resolved, That we extend to her bereaved family our warmest sympathy, and that in memory of her these resolutions be spread upon the pages of our Annual.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. STOCKING, 1901.
JOSEPHINE M. EDDY, 1901.
JULIA F. GOLDSBOROUGH, 1901.

Everyone of the seventy-five girls who were present at the Alumnæ Luncheon, Saturday, May 24, 1902, sadly missed the presence of dear Mrs. Somers, who was absent for the first time since the organization of the Association.

Mrs. Hensley, when asked about her summer vacation, said: "There is nothing interesting to tell. I went to Europe last year and am not going this. I am only going North to play."

The telegram which comes every year from Miss Scull was received, and though the book and verses were given, the chapter was omitted.

Miss Grace Brouse expects to sail June 4 with a party of School girls for Europe.

Mrs. Minnie Naylor Swartzell, '76, says that "Veterans only parade once in four years, so it is her turn to keep still."

Mrs. Adalyn Smith Holden, '79, has spent a very busy winter engaged in worthy work for her family and for outsiders as well. She enjoyed a month's trip to Florida with her father.

We were all grieved to hear that when the Annual came out last year announcing the birth of Mrs. Holden's little son Louis, he had already been born into Heaven.

Mrs. Harvey Murray (Villa Welch, '79) and her two daughters, Elsa and Eleanor, have gone to their summer home on the Maine coast.

The Chairman of the Editorial Committee wishes to extend her personal thanks to Miss Anne Seymour Ames for the valuable assistance she rendered in the preparation of this Annual. When workers were scarce, she kindly volunteered her services, which were thankfully received and highly appreciated.

At one of the early meetings of the Alumnæ, Miss Hattie Belle Walker, '81, made the suggestion that an amendment be made to our Constitution, to the effect that all babies should be taxed, double rate

for the boys, on account of their ineligibility to graduate from M. V. S.

Mrs. Howard Hodgkins (Marie Wilkinson, '86) writes that her work for the past few years has been just the same—"I see that my family is properly fed and clothed and my house taken care of, attend to numerous social duties and go to many meetings of various kinds."

Three members of our Alumnæ Association, at first unknown to each other, were engaged last winter in the work of the Industrial School at the Peck Memorial Chapel, the Mission of the Church of the Covenant. These "sewers went forth to sew," or rather as instructoresses. They were Mrs. Clara Ford Nesbit, '88, Mrs. Adalyn Smith Holden, '79, and Miss Blanche Swope, '93.

The engagement is announced of Mary Knight Bradford, '88, to Mr. George Winchester Stone, of Boston. Mr. Stone is a graduate of the Boston "Tech.," and is detailed here on some architectural work. The wedding will take place in the fall.

Mrs. John Cecil Hooe (Edith Dingley, '90) will spend the summer with Mrs. Hearst in California.

Mrs. Jos. K. Nye (Phila L. Calder, '91), who has become the admiration and the inspiration of every M. V. S. girl, expects to spend the summer months abroad.

Miss Grace V. Edwards, '91, has become a very enthusiastic young artist, and spends most of her time at the art rooms.

Mrs. H. Newton Hempstead (Eleanor Brush, '91) has moved from Meadville, Pa., to Indianapolis, where she expects to make her home for some time.

Mrs. Ensley Bent (Laura Booge, '92) has moved from her home in Chicago to the far West, and is living now at Cody (Big Horn County, Wyoming).

The School exercises are made very atractive by the solos of Miss Alice E. Edwards, '93, whose rich

voice is much admired by the students and their friends.

Mrs. Victor Mapes (Anna Hoeke, '93), of New York, paid an extended visit to Washington with her husband this year.

Miss Mae McCauley, '93, returned to this School for a Post-Graduate Course in French.

A letter from Countess Carl Axel Wachtmeister (Buelah Hubbell, '93) says she has just returned to Paris after a six months' visit to her family and friends here in America. She was sorry not to have been able to visit Washington and call on dear Mrs. Somers, thereby renewing the happy memories of M. V. S. Her husband is located at the Swedish Norwegian Legation, and she often meets girls from the School.

Mrs. Charles Wilbur Fairfax (Lillie May Bowen, '94) gave a beautifully appointed tea at her home, December 27. Several M. V. S. girls assisted her. Among them were Mrs. Mèsny, Edna Lake, Daisy Squires, Blanche Polkinhorn and Ethel Bogan.

Mrs. Arthur Bonamy Le Patourel Mèsny (Mazie Brown, '94) was hostess at a very delightful five o'clock tea in February to meet the well-known young artist of New York, Miss Henrietta Dunn.

Mrs. Albert Thorpe Ryan (Elise Dufour, '94) writes "That it is sweet that we can send through the Annual our love and good wishes to our classmates. I hope time has been especially kind to all the Class of '94. God bless them!" She also adds that in the last two years she has ascertained how to bear patiently the cruelties of a poor maid, to nurse measles, to say Mother Goose rhymes in her sleep, to keep household books indifferently, and to play golf after a fashion.

The Alumnæ felt handicapped during the winter by having its President in Oregon, and its Second Vice-President in Europe. However, Miss Louise Duvall was equal to the emergency and successfully

steered the Association through the year. Many thanks are due her for her careful and prompt work and help.

Miss Blanche Baber, '95, spent the winter in Washington visiting friends.

The engagement is announced of Ethel Herbert Bogan, '95, to Mr. John Eliot Shaw, of Minneapolis, Minn., son of the late Judge Melville Shaw.

The members of the Association were delightfully surprised to have Mary Lansing Catlin, '95, present at roll call.

Bertha Ellis, '96, has entirely recovered from her severe case of typhoid, and has become a great golf player.

Mrs. Philip Sidney Morgan (Caroline McCabe, '95) has visited the past year in Texas, where her husband has a large ranch near Big Spring. She enjoys the Western life very much, and writes interesting accounts of it in her letters. She expects to visit her old home in Evanston this summer.

Marsh Rees, '96, and Miss Grace Phillips, '97, were guests of Miss Caroline Janney, '96, during Commencement week, and were present at the Reunion.

Miss Grace Terrill, '96, has gone to join her father in the Philippines, where, for the present, she intends to make her home.

Edith Stockton Birney, '97, has just graduated from the Hahnemann College, Chicago, with very high honors.

Miss Ella Grant Thomas, '97, visited her brother, Dr. Philip Thomas, in San Francisco this spring.

Mary Warner Knapp, '97, is improving very slowly, and several weeks ago walked on crutches a few steps for the first time in thirty months. She now expects to be able to go home by the last of June.

Susan Hurd Elmore, '98, President of the Association, came on from Astoria, Oregon, to be present

at the Reunion. Will not some more of our girls follow her example?

Miss Helen Clara Slater, '98, was forced to resign from the Editorial Committee owing to the continued ill-health of her mother. She is now looking forward to a summer on the Maine coast.

Mrs. Charles Emerson Hood (Martha Jarvis, '99) expects to spend the summer in Maine.

Lillian Lake, '99, has spent the winter in Germany studying music. She is at present with Frau Naumann in Berlin.

Miss Helen Palmer, '99, says she has found her vocation at last. She spent the entire summer on their fruit farm (Folly Farm), where the study of fruit culture has proved "entirely novel and intensely engrossing."

Miss Helen Pennypacker, '99, spent some time in Washington during the winter, and expects to spend the summer months traveling in Norway.

A number of old M. V. S. girls and members of the Alumnæ Association have been visiting in Washington at different times during the winter. Among them are Anna Hassalman, '92; Grace Watkins, '97; Helen Pennypacker, '92; Bernice Heefner, '97; Susan Elmore, '98; Mrs. Carpenter (Nellie Crouse), Marsh Rees, '96; Grace Phillips, '97; Frances Thirlkeld, '96; Louise Coleman, Blanche Baber, '95; Margaret Cox, 1900; Luette Spitzer, '01; Anne Wellington, Edith Slayback, Mrs. Ferris (Maude Deterding), '98, and Nellie Root.

Miss Mae Press, 1900, spent her winter in Chicago studying music, French and taking cooking lessons, beside having a class in the University Settlement and also a Sunday-school Class. She sends her love and best wishes to every member of the grand old Class of 1900, and joins us all in longing for a Class Reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Hinman announce the

engagement of their daughter, Gertrude Risdon, 1900, to Mr. D. Edwin Lyle, 14th Infantry, U.S.A.

The engagement is announced of Miss Lucy Warner Tolerton, 1900, to Mr. Merrill Call, of Sioux City.

The engagement is announced of Miss Jessica Lawrence Dimmick, 1900, to Mr. Howard Vail, of Scranton, Pa.

Thelda Buck, 1900, visited three weeks with Margaret Cox in Louisville. The past winter her time has been spent in doing office work under her father's supervision, and she has grown quite attached to her journal, cash-book and ledger.

Miss Margaret Brainbridge Cox, 1900, made her début on November 19, 1901, at a large reception and dance at the Galt House, Louisville, Ky., and since then has enjoyed being one of the season's belles. She spent Commencement week in Washington.

Miss Grace Janney is still an enthusiastic worker in the Kindergarten.

There were three coming-out teas in the Class of 1901. They were Josephine Eddy's, Ruth Halford's and Julia Goldsborough's.

Francesca Kaspar, 1900, expects to go abroad this summer to study vocal music. She will be in Paris next winter.

The list of names for the Installation of the "Order of the Lily" was as follows: Elizabeth Waller, Ruth Carey, Florence Ingram, Edith Latimer, Vina Shattuck and Anne Hamilton.

Miss Jessie Lennox, 1901, expects to spend next year in traveling abroad.

Alice Wilson, 1901, has been carrying out a long-cherished plan of hers—that of learning bookkeeping.

Miss Josephine Eddy, 1901, spent part of the social season at Palm Beach, where she was one of the most popular visitors.

Luette Spitzer, '01, was the guest of Miss Josephine Eddy for Commencement week.

Lenora Courts, '01, has been spending the winter in visiting army posts in the West. She is now in California.

There were three little sisters in this year's Graduating Class—Florence Libbey, Alice Grandin and Belle Hinman—also one grand-baby, Ruth Carey, daughter of Mary Stewart, '76.

The '02 girls tried to carry out the plan of '00 by having Senior afternoon teas, so that the boarders and day scholars might become better acquainted.

The members of Miss Brouse's party are Florence Ingram, Florence Wright, May Belle Hudson and Miss Lanahan.

The engagement is announced of Miss Florence Polkinhorn, '98, to Mr. Philip James Affleck, Jr., of Washington, D. C. The wedding will take place early in the fall.

Mrs. Willis Lord Moore (Nellie Vila, '81) expects to leave Cleveland about July 1 for New Mexico. "Our camp on the upper Pecos is the Mecca of our thoughts all during the winter, and when the party of ten or a dozen friends gather from various parts of the United States, and, occasionally, one or two from England, start upon the forty-mile drive from the railroad to our retreat, we are happy indeed. During our next encampment we expect to make a trip across the peaks into the region of the Cliff Dwellers in Arizona. This will be a trip of about two weeks on horseback, sleeping out under the stars with saddles for pillows."

Miss Duvall has had a very busy year. In the fall she was maid of honor for her sister; then, after New Year's, she spent some delightful weeks visiting in New York, and just returned from a house party to enjoy the Reunion.

Mr. Elbert Hubbard, the well-known Philistine, paid Mrs. Mazie Mèsny a well-deserved compliment by sending her, in acknowledgment of her "Little Journeys," a copy of his new book, with the following inscription: "To Mazie Mèsny, with kindest regards of the author."

For the first time in the history of the Annual, the committee has been unable to hear of any new births.

Mr. John Clark, husband of Addie Burr, '88, has just been appointed on the Corporation Counsel of New York.

And now, with a God-speed to every wearer of the gold and white, the Annual closes for another year.

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EDITORIAL.

THE past year has been an unusually active one in the Alumnæ Association. The editors have gathered all the news they could concerning the interests of the different Alumnæ, and if any important items have been omitted they plead ignorance. It has been impossible to thank individually those who have sent in news, but it has been very much appreciated.

The Annual is very late this year, but the resignation of one editor, the marriage of a second, and the business venture of a third, have been great delayers of the work. "Lay members" can hardly appreciate the assistance it would be to the editorial committee if news of events occurring during the year were sent to one of the editors, especially exact dates, and above all changes of address. To every member of the Association whose 1903 dues are paid, a copy of the Annual will be sent, and any criticisms or suggestions will be gladly received by the chairman of the editorial committee.

True, it is indeed, that "there is nothing new under the sun," but the thousand old trifles when put together form always a new pattern, so our interest in each other, though we do but the common things, is always fresh. It is well to keep this interest alive,

well to make the extra effort if for no other than the selfish reason we ourselves are gainers by every act of loyalty, every effort of friendship and every kindly interest in each other's lives.

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through experience, and it is only given you in order that you may give again. The Association wants you, wants your strong young life and quick enthusiasm, and feels proud that today records upon the rolls the names of each and every member of the Class of 1903.

The president is but the voice of the Association, who realizes the strength gained from the fresh new faces that each class brings. The aims and ambitions of the individual count for much, but when that individual joins with many others, all working towards one end, enrolled under the same banner, the life glows and quickens, pulsing strong with the love which is the due and fitting tribute to our Alma Mater.

PHILA C. NYE, '91.

RESPONSE BY PRESIDENT

OF THE

CLASS OF 1903,

Madam President and Members of the Alumnæ Association:

The Class of 1903 thanks you for your kindly greeting and cordial welcome. It is not alone what we have acomplished as students, but what we may yet accomplish by the means of our Σοφια that must determine our merit and fitness to represent worthily with you our Alma Mater. We trust that the future will fully realize our motto, and that the blue and white will symbolize the enthusiasm of our class.

Our twenty-one members on coming of age today celebrate their birthday by joining the Alumnæ Association, pledging love and loyalty throughout the coming years.

ANNE B. HAMILTON, '03.

The program of entertainment consisted of a trio of songs given by Miss Elsie Edward, '93; two violin solos by Miss Eleanor Bartlett, '02; a talk by Lieut. W. H. Safford, and two songs by Miss Lilian Lake, '99.

Mr. Safford's talk was quite an innovation, bringing, as it did, a man into the very midst of our exclusively feminine circle.

He spoke to us of Robert Louis Stevenson, not as one who has but read and heard, but as one who has loved and learned, of him.

Mr. Safford was fortunate enough to be able to buy about two hundred books that had been owned by Mr. Stevenson, and it was of those books that he spoke, touching here and there on events that they suggested. Mr. Safford brought a number of the books with him and allowed us to look them over, tracing the marginal notes and marked passages that made the books very personal and the poet-essayist-story-teller very real. In several cases Mr. Safford had been fortunate enough to obtain the very copies of the books Mr. Stevenson took with him when he "prowled and wandered," such, for instance, as the map he carried in Scotland. Our space is too limited to do justice to the personal interest Mr. Safford put into his talk, but it was one lovers of Robert Louis Stevenson will not forget.

After some moments of informal sociabilities, luncheon was announced, and there came the opportunity for many to enjoy the Reunion in its friendly sense, picking up the threads of old acquaintance in the gay circles of the luncheon tables.

The toasts were apropos of the great problems of the day, and were proposed with clever suggestions and allusions by Miss Grace Terrill, '96.

Miss Florence Miller, '96, responded to "The M. V. S. Trust."

Mrs. Helen Birney Gantz, '00, told us "all she knew" of "The Monetary Problem."

Miss Lenora Courts, '01, discussed "The Strike Problem."

Miss Ruth Browne, '02, honored "Our Guests" (not from the stand point of a problem, however!)

Mrs. Nellie Hosea Laird, '94, had "The Open Door," with which to contend, and Miss Laurene Porter, '03, dealt with "Reciprocity."

When the last problem was solved Mrs. Somers, who had been with us, except during luncheon, stood in our midst and spoke to us in her own natural way, beginning with a joke and leaving us feeling merry, but gentle.

Then presently it was time to sing the old school song and go from the beautiful day within to the beautiful day without.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

YEAR 1902–1903.

RECEIPTS.

Amount in hand July 24, 1902	$ 58.33
Amount received from dues to date	245.10
Total	$303.43

DISBURSEMETS.

Annual	$76.33
Stationery and postage	14.25
Roberts	12.95
Ledger	1.75
Rauscher	90.00
	$195.28

Amount received	$303.43
Amount paid out	195.28
Balance	$108 15

M. DALL, '01, *Treasurer.*

MARRIAGES.

Miss Harriet Staples, '86, to Dr. Frank Webster Jay, December tenth, nineteen hundred and one.

Miss Mary Norton, '87, to Mr. E. P. Clapp, should have been recorded before.

Miss Mary Knight Bradford, '88, to Mr. George Winchester Stone, October seventh, nineteen hundred and two.

Miss Florence L. De Pauw, '89, to Mr. Charles Edward Seaman, September tenth, nineteen hundred and two.

Miss Anna S. King, '89, to Mr. Henry Sumner Bean, June first, nineteen hundred and three.

Miss Grace Alice Doyle, '92, to Mr. C. L. Graves, in nineteen hundred and one.

Miss Ethel H. Bogan, '95, to Mr. John E. Shaw, October, nineteen hundred and two.

Miss Florence H. King, '96, to Mr. John A. Matthews, January twenty-ninth, nineteen hundred and three.

Miss Grace C. Phillips, '97, to Mr. Charles H. Johnson, February twenty-sixth, nineteen hundred and three.

Miss Alice M. Adams, '98, to Mr. J. L. Gunsaulus, June, nineteen hundred and two.

Miss Mary E. Wylie, '98, to Mr. J. B. Coykendall, October, nineteen hundred and one.

Miss Florence I. Polkinhorn, '98, to P. G. Affleck, November, nineteen hundred and two.

Miss Elizabeth Lucas, '99, to Mr. Thomas C. Gould, nineteen hundred and one.

Miss J. May Butler, '99, to Mr. F. W. Behrens, February fourth, nineteen hundred and three.

Miss Margaret Cox, '00, to Mr. P. J. Wooldridge, October, nineteen hundred and two.

Miss Frances M. Marsh, '00, to Mr. Frank Hough Towner, June second, nineteen hundred and three.

Miss Lucy W. Tolerton, '00, to Mr. A. M. Call, December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and two.

BIRTHS.

July 7, 1901, a daughter, Martha Elizabeth Baldwin Joyce, to Mrs. Katherine Morgan Joyce, '86.

April 11, 1903, a son, Walter Douglas Clephane, to Mrs. Nellie Walker Clephane, '88.

In the spring of 1903, a daughter, to Mrs. Mattie Lemon Cissel, '88.

January 13, 1902, a son, Edward Duncan Mallam, Jr., to Mrs. Elizabeth Duncan Mallam, '96.

December 23, 1902, a daughter, Elizabeth Lucas Gould, to Mrs. Elizabeth Lucas Gould, '99.

DEATHS.

On February 27, 1903, Mr. Charles E. Walker, father of Hattie Belle Walker, '81.

In 1902, Mr. Stinemetz, father of Nettie Stinemetz Bains, '86, and Mary A. Stinemetz, '88.

On January 11, 1903, Mr. F. P. Wilson, husband of Izzie Herrick Wilson, '91.

In May, Bishop Hurst, father of Helen Hurst, '92.

On May 12, 1903, Mr. S. Polkinhorn, father of Blanche Polkinhorn, '95, and Florence Polkinhorn Affleck, '98.

In April, 1903, Mr Lutz, father of Mary Lutz, '96, and Marian Lutz, '00.

In February, 1903, Mr. Norman Phillips, brother of Grace Phillips Johnson, '97.

In December, 1902, Mrs. Slater, mother of Helen Slater, '98.

In June, 1903, Mrs. Ridgely, mother of Catharine Ridgely, '02.

PERSONALS.

A letter was sent to one member of each class, asking her to request every member of her class to send a personal item to the editors of the Annual. Perhaps some of the letters were lost because of changed addresses (though none were returned). Fifteen of the selected members responded, and of these, eleven accepted. There have been before this year's, twenty-seven classes at M. V S.

Mrs. Somers' presence made the Reunion real again, and she was doubly dear to her girls after her year of suffering and separation.

Miss Scull sent a loving message instead of her usual annual Reunion telegram.

Five of our Alumnæ sailed with Mrs. Hensley for Europe on May thirtieth. They are Miss Grace Shoppel, '00, Miss Jessie Lennox, '01, Miss May Tolerton, '03, Miss Helen Mills, '03, and Miss Eugenia Bradshaw, '03

The class of '76 reports herself well and busy in peaceful ways.

The Class of '77 is keeping very quiet.

'78 doesn't say a word.

Mrs. Adalyn Smith Holden, '79, had the mumps last winter to keep her children company, and considers that excitement enough for one year.

The Class of '80 is uncommunicative.

Through no fault of the responsible member, '81 has no personals beyond the loss lately come to one member.

'82 has nothing to say.

Miss Mary Jennings, '93, visited M. V. S last February during the D. A. R. Congress.

The Class of '84 has not been heard from.

Mrs. Mabel Crampton McCurrach, '85, wrote, as requested, to the members of her Class, but no news has come.

'86 responded nobly. For one item, look under "Births." Mrs. Harriett Staples Jay, '86, has been happily traveling far and wide since her marriage, returning at length to her home in Chicago.

Nothing whatever heard from '87.

The members of the Class of '88 have reported a marriage, a birth, and a death, but beyond these profound experiences there has been no especial news offered.

'89 confessed to two marriages, which are recorded in another place.

Not a word came from the regular course of '90, and no news from the special one.

'91 has supplied a little information in the way of changed addresses, but nothing was heard of the Letter of Request. One of the Class has recently suffered a loss, recorded in another place. Mrs. Phila Calder Nye, '91, has not said the Class should be proud of her, but it should. For a second year she is serving as President of the Alumnæ, and filling the position in a way that leaves nothing to be desired.

Nothing has come directly from '92, but the May "Craftsman" has unwittingly given us a "personal." In an article on "Some Indiana Bookplates," it says: "Some of the best work in bookplate designs produced in this State has been done by Miss Anna Hasselman, '92, of Indianapolis, whose plates are largely pictorial in character. The one made for Mrs. Somer's school at Washington is especially notable from the inclusion in a small design of several different motifs; the interior shown being a corner of the music room of that institution, with the Alumnæ pin and motto in the opposite corner of the plate, while the conventionalized daisy, which forms a part of the border, is the school flower."

"Miss Hasselman has designed a number of other plates of a more or less pictorial character, in all of which the well-balanced composition, and the presence of an individual sentiment are marked."

We have quoted at length because this is a matter which concerns both the class of '92 and the whole Alumnæ.

'93 has nothing to say.

'94 didn't even say she really could not be responsible. Perfect silence.

'95 said nothing, and we wanted very much to hear from '95. We knew there was news, and by a second effort we found it out. Miss Edna Lake, '95, is engaged to Mr. Walter Leon Hess of New York City. No plans have been made as yet for the wedding.

The class of '96 responded well. One engagement may be announced, that of Miss Frances Thirlkeld, '96, and Mr. Robert Coleman of Brooklyn, New York.

Miss Eleanor Sowers, '96, is visiting Captain and Mrs. Dickins at Mare Island Navy Yard, California. Mrs. Dickins is not of our Alumnæ, but is known to many of us as Edythe Pratt.

Mrs. Charles H. Weaver (Alberta Rearick, '96) intended to be present at the Reunion, but unfortunately did not receive her announcement in time.

Mrs. Edward D. Mallam (Elizabeth Duncan, '96) finds her time well and happily taken up by the small son whose birth is announced this year.

After a short visit to her sister Miss Mary Warner Knapp, '96, has returned to her home in Rochester.

Miss Florence Grandin, '96, spent most of her winter in Washington. One wedding is recorded for the class.

'97 did not report, but a member of another class sent word of the news concerning Mrs. C. H. Johnson (Grace Philips, '96).

It is also reported that Miss Edith Birney, '97, finishes Post Graduate work at Hahnemann College this year, and expects to practice in Washington next winter.

'98 was excellently reported. Three marriage notices are recorded in the proper column, and the engagement is announced of Miss Florence Mixter, '98, to Mr. John Wells, of New Haven, Connecticut.

Mrs. Carleton G. Ferris (Maude Deterding, '98) spent part of the winter in Jamaica, and on her way home visited Washington and of course M. V. S.

Miss Stella Ford, '98, spent four weeks at Pinehurst, N. C., last winter, where she found Mrs. Somers, Mrs. Eddy and several M.V. S. girls enjoying the Southern sunshine. She, and her sister, Miss Nell Ford, '92, visited M. V. S. on their way north.

Miss Sue Elmore, '98, spent most of her winter visiting on a ranch at Alhambra, California.

Especially deep sorrow came the past year to two members of '98, to whom, as to all our members who have so suffered, we offer deep if silent sympathy.

The class of '99 "did itself proud," through its energetic responsible member.

Two weddings are reported, though one is news of two years ago that has been accidentally overlooked.

Miss Floretta Elmore, '99, has been with her sister in southern California, and has gained there the health that failed her for a time.

Mrs. G. F. Slaughter (Elizabeth Fletcher, '99), visited her mother near Los Angeles, California, this spring.

Rumor has it that Miss Alice Henry, '99, and her family have contemplated moving to Indianapolis. If this is true we hope she will remember to send her new address to the Annual.

Miss Lillian Lake, '99, worked a little too strenuously at her music while she was abroad last year, but is resting now.

The engagements are announced of Miss Helen Palmer, '99, to Mr. William L. Andrus, of Yonkers, New York, and of Miss Elise Painter, '99, to Mr. D. S. Shorburn, of Scotland. After traveling in the West Indies, Miss Painter went to Phœnix, N. Y., where she is at present taking a milk and rest cure. Later she expects to meet her fiancé's family in Scotland, and there are rumors of a wedding in the fall.

Miss Laura Pratt, '99, has been visiting, housekeeping, studying and attending to various social pleasures and duties.

Miss Fanny Stocking, '99, has been exercising young minds in various directions, and making life worth while, we know, by her old-time gaiety.

Miss Helen Pennypacker, '99, spent a delightful summer (1902) in going from the North Cape through Norway, Sweden, Russia, Poland, Austria, Turkey, Greece and Italy. Yet after this seeing of the Old World she found much interest in the vision of the New Orleans Mardi Gras.

'00 sent in several items of news.

Mrs. Charles R. Gantz (Helen Birney, '00) attended the Reunion and responded to a toast

Miss Grace Janney, '00, very reluctantly laid aside her teaching long enough to indulge in the uncomfortable mumps.

Miss Francesca Kaspar, '00, is still over the water working earnestly with her music.

Miss Theda Buck paid a very brief visit to Washington in early March, but managed, of course, to visit M. V. S.

The sorrow of loss came lately to one member of '00, as it has to an unusual number this year.

The engagement is announced of Miss Mae Press, '00, to Mr. William L. Hodgkins, of Chicago.

Three marriages have taken place among the members of '00 during the past year, and are recorded in the proper place.

'01 claims to have had little excitement this year. Travel abroad and in the West have occupied several members.

Miss Josephine Eddy, '01, has returned with her family to her Evanston home.

'02 sent in no news whatever, but perhaps the gathering of the eleven members at the Alumnæ Reunion was considered sufficient to show that the class is still flourishing.

And now what about our youngest class—1903? Its members were not asked for "personals," because this year their sayings and doings were public property. An innovation on their part was the publishing of the "Sigma," which contains an article by each member of the class, varying in subject from "The Psychology of Applause," to "Sense or Non-Cents." There are three poems besides the Class Poem (for 1903, is a versatile class), and, dear to joke-loving hearts, the traditional "History" and "Prophecy." Now let us end with that word, but if we have said it in a troubled way and somewhat fearfully, we must say it again eagerly and with new hope, taking it in its happiest sense for the new year—

"PROPHECY!"

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Foreword

THE ANNUAL comes to the members this year as a voluntary (?) contribution, for there is no Editorial Committee to call upon. The chairman of last year, who so valiantly carried out the whole work alone, could not serve again. The committee appointed at the April meeting is so young that it dare not venture alone, nor in its incompleteness. So it seemed that there was either no Annual forthcoming, or a few available members must come to the front.

Thanks are especially due to Miss Edwards, '93, and Miss M. Eddy, '77, for many of the articles which make up the following pages.

This is a unique experience for the Annual, and therefore apologies are presented if in its present number it is not in its usual smooth and finished state. The putting together of the different parts comes on one who is totally unversed in such work, and can only plead as her excuse for so doing that the Alumnæ Association is always welcome to whatever service she can render it, at all times and in all ways.

P. C. N., '91.

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Main Buildings *Senior House*

Senior House

CHANGES AT M. V. S.

ANY of the old and older girls of M. V. S. who have not recently visited their school home would gaze incredulously upon the changed aspect of things. The girl who dates from Grant or Hayes or Garfield would find few of the old landmarks, either without or within. The old building in which she studied, played her little part, and trod the primrose path of learning has greatly enlarged its borders, for within the last twelve years to 1100 have been added 1104, 1106, and 1108 on M street.

But the star of empire in our case took its way not only westward, but southward also, for fronting on Eleventh street in the rear of 1100 and 1104 was built the school-house. This contains only class-rooms, practice-rooms, the reading-room, and the chapel. Connecting this with the main building, where of old the conservatory used to bridge the way, is a four-story structure containing a number of most desirable bed-rooms, a spacious dining-room, and, the crown of all, the music-room, with a seating capacity of over a hundred. It is approached from the drawing-room by an ascent of several broad steps and adjoins the reading-room on the other side. The room is of noble proportions, with wainscot and rafters in oak. At one end is a tall brick chimney place; at the other a large bow window, and within this latter, upon a platform, stands a grand piano. Here every Sunday night the household assembles for evening service.

Across the street on Eleventh street stands the Faculty House. In this four-story building live nine members of the faculty. Here also are two studios—one for the art class and one for music—and the club rooms of two of the school societies, I. T. S. and B. T. S.

The latest addition to the "landed estate" of the Seminary is Senior House. You may remember the old brick mansion facing 1100 on M street, with its dear old garden with box-bordered flower beds. This place was to be sold and on its site was to be erected a great apartment house. This called for immediate defensive action, as for self-evident reasons this would have been very objectionable. So the place was bought, and of course put in perfect order.

In furnishing the house care has been taken to keep in harmony with the quaint old fashion of the building. The furniture throughout is mahogany. The plain old bureaus, with separate oval or shield-shaped mirrors; simple desks and chairs, and white and brass beds—these, against their setting of dainty wall paper and fresh muslin curtains, make most attractive rooms. There is also on the first floor a reception-room, where the Seniors spend many pleasant hours, and in the basement is the club-room of the V. V. Society.

The neglected garden was soon restored to order, and now blooms from the time of white and pink magnolias until the day of the chrysanthemum is over. This and the yard beyond, with its fruit and shade trees, is a never-ceasing joy to the girls, and it is little wonder that the Seniors now find it harder than ever to go away from M. V. S.

COMMENCEMENT WEEK.

COMMENCEMENT has taken to itself as many additions as 1100! No longer the one supreme evening, but varied and various functions have we! It began this year with the announcement by Mrs. Somers in chapel one morning early in May that the Class of 1904 had revived an old custom of leaving some memorial of themselves to the Seminary. The gift of this class is a school hymn, the joint production of two of its members, Miss Alice Stone and Miss Mary Day. Printed copies of the hymn were distributed, and it was sung with spirit to the music of De Koven's *Recessional*.

The next event was a tea given by the Seniors in their own parlors. In the afternoon they entertained the Faculty and in the evening the Juniors. Their dainty colors, the lavender and white, were in evidence in the refreshments and decorations. In the evening they had their class-day exercises; their history was read and their prophecy delivered. To the Juniors the principal bequest of the class will was, of course, the beloved Senior House, while to Mrs. Somers was benevolently given the exclusive privilege of digging in their garden! At the close of the program the guests watched the planting of the class tree, a purple beech.

Friday, May 20, was School-day, and at 11 o'clock the white-robed band of girls began its march chapel-wards. The Seniors, headed by their president, carrying the white and lavender banner, occupied the seats of honor at the south side of the chapel, while the Juniors, twenty-four strong, took their station in the rear of the room. The program consisted of vocal and instrumental music, readings, and essays. One number, a story by Miss Patterson, had already been published by the "Club Woman."

The Class of 1905 were made custodians of the new M. V. S. banner by Miss Lacy, '04, and the charge was assumed by Miss Baggaley for the Junior Class. Last came the abdication of their seats by the Seniors. Their places were filled by the Juniors, whose orange and white banner displaced the white and lavender. After singing the new school hymn, all adjourned to the Music-room, where Juniors and Seniors warbled many ballads of their own creating. At the close of the singing, the entire school betook itself to the dining-room for School-day luncheon.

Saturday morning, May 21, came the Annual Alumnæ Reunion, fully recorded elsewhere in these pages.

Sunday, after dinner, the household was called together, and the matter of aiding the Georgetown Mission was laid before the undergraduates, as it had been presented the day before to the Alumnæ Association. The girls were most enthusiastic, and have undertaken the supply of baby clothes for next year, and have promised contributions of clothing; and we will add to any non-resident graduate, as well, any contributions of clothing or other useful articles which you may desire to devote to this work will be gladly received. Contributions of any kind may be sent to 1100 M, marked "Mission."

Monday night, May 23, Mrs. Somers gave for the Seniors a charming reception and musicale, with Mr. Tom Karl as the leading soloist.

On Tuesday morning, May 24, were held the usual graduating exercises. Dr. Merrill Gates was the speaker and gave an eloquent address.

THE ALUMNÆ REUNION.

IN arranging for the Reunion this year, care was taken to note the number of representatives from each class, in order that they might occupy seats together. This grew out of the fact that we were to celebrate the decennial of 1894 and the triennial of 1901, and it seemed to make a very pleasing arrangement for all. The class of '99 bore off the palm for numbers, as it was seven strong, but the class of 1876 appeared complete—the only one which could boast this distinction.

It is the aim of the Association from now on to make the anniversary celebrations an important feature of the program for Alumnæ Day. As the plan was in its infancy this year, we hope that the feeling will grow stronger as the years go by, and that on Alumnæ Day the classes will make especial efforts to bring to us as many as it is possible to gather together under the class colors.

As it was, we think we can safely state that this was the largest reunion yet, the actual number of graduates present being over ninety. The meeting itself was an important one, bringing up for discussion and decision a very interesting question (noted in the Secretary's report and separately). This served to bring all members into closer relationship with each other and gave the feeling that as an Association we stand as one.

The meeting was called to order by the President, and Miss Brouse introduced the class of 1904, who were welcomed in the address that follows :

To the Class of 1904 :

In the name of the Association I extend you a hearty welcome. It is with keen and loving interest that your career has been watched since first you entered on your class life—that birth into organized, sustained fellow-

ship with us, the older sisters of M. V. S., when from the Alumnæ Baby you grew into the fullness of mature members of the Association.

As juniors you stood side by side with the class of 1903, learning from them much of school traditions, which they in their turn had won from others. The class of 1903, with their motto, "Wisdom," have joined the blue and white to the ranks of waving colors of the years gone by. Their patron goddess, serene and calm, stood by their side, guiding, holding, directing until she could enroll them upon the books with the others who have won through and were waiting.

But you, the class of 1904, have added wings unto their "Wisdom," and, guided surely on, with the stirring watchword, "Victory," ever upon your lips, have attained a high and well-earned place within our ranks. Nikê herself, with mighty wings outstretched, swept down through the pale purple haze and ever guided you straight and true unto the promised goal.

Victory presupposes conquest, so "Victory" has brought your class of sixteen strong unto the very portal of your lives, giving you, in addition to your class motto, the watchword of M. V. S.—"self-conquest"—and with this motto her greatest gift of labor and love is put into your hands. Use it well, for you are standing upon the shoulders of many who have gone before, glad indeed if in any way they have contributed to the success and life lessons of the class of 1904.

PHILA C. NYE, '91.

Response by the President of the Class.

The class of 1904 wishes to thank the Alumnæ Association for their most cordial welcome.

As we stand here today, knowing that our school days at M. V. S. are over, the realization that we are about to part would be overwhelming were it not for the hope that we may prove ourselves loyal as Alumnæ.

Still letting the Winged Victory be our guide, and with the help of those who have had the experience, our sin-

cere desire is that we may add successfully our interest and aid in all that the Alumnæ Association may undertake.

A. MARJORIE RAY, 1904.

After the roll call, the regular business meeting was held. Among the most important questions which arose was the one embodied in the following report by the chairman of the committee :

Report of the Committee on Philanthropic Work.

The suggestion came at the last meeting that, as a resident association now of over one hundred members, we should do something definite in the way of philanthropic work.

Two things suggest our readiness for this forward step : First, the fact that any number of our members have spoken of it spontaneously ; and, second, the even more significant fact that hardly a charitable work in Washington comes before the public that the names of our own girls are not most prominent in connection with it. As *individuals*, therefore, the Association stands for large helpfulness in the community—and why not add the various forces as an *association?*

We have enjoyed exceedingly our "Teas" of the past year or two, which have brought us into more intimate acquaintance and have been such a pleasant feature of our Alumnæ life ; but there has been too much earnestness and purpose in our school-life for us not to grow eager after awhile for a real "reach that shall exceed our grasp," and the committee you have appointed wishes to make a strong plea for forward work in the coming year.

We may not in the beginning be able to do very great things, but the avenues for helpfulness here in Washington are many and attractive.

A few we have to suggest as practical, hoping for many thoughts from the meeting today :—

National Junior League.

Neighborhood House.

Working Girls' Vacation Home.

Playgrounds—apparatus.
Noel House.
Instructive Visiting Nurses' Society.

Respectfully submitted.

MARY BRADFORD STONE.
MARY EDNA STOCKING.
ANNE SEYMOUR AMES, *Chairman.*

In addition to the suggested lines presented so ably by Miss Ames in behalf of her committee, Mrs. Holden, '79, arose to present to the Association the work of Miss Inch, '85, in the branch mission at Georgetown. A very interesting presentation of the subject ensued, and, with Mrs. Somers' words in regard to the work that Miss Inch is doing almost alone there, the Association voted to give all that it is possible to aid in her work. Mrs. Holden was appointed as chairman of the committee to formulate the work, and requests were made that all who were willing to lend voices to the choir, hands to the sewing, and time to the distributing of contributions would give their names to Miss Edwards. Some were given in on that day, and others have responded since.

As there was no further business, the Entertainment Committee, with Miss Slater, '98, as chairman, presented Miss Faith Bradford, 1900, who read an interesting article on ballads. This was illustrated by eight songs: "Cherry Ripe," "Allan Water," "Sally in our Alley," "We Met," "Bid Me Discourse," "Drink to Me Only with Thine Eyes," "Barbara Allen," and "Johnny Sands." Mrs. Fairfax, Mrs. Nye, Miss Lillian Lake, and Miss Edwards sang them, making a very pleasant and unusual entertainment.

After this the movement to adjourn was in order, so the doors into the library were opened, and we were greeted by the red and white decorations—class colors of 1894 and 1901. A buffét luncheon was served, toasts were given to the classes entertaining and the new class, and the last, given standing, to our Almer Mater. Then we heard the class songs of 1904, finishing with the new school song. This ends the report of the 1904 reunion.

To M. V. S.

Tune: De Koven's Recessional.

I.

Hail to thy glory, strength, and love!
Exalted now and evermore;
Hail to thy wisdom! Prized above
All wisdom we have gained before.
Loved M. V. S., thou shalt remain
Firm in our hearts, nor cease to reign!

II.

The glowing "yellow and the white,"
Emblem of golden days spent here,
Shall be an ever-ruling light,
Filling our lives with warmth and cheer.
Colors so true wave proudly on,
Binding with deeper love our hearts as one!

III.

"He conquers all who conquers self,"
Shall be to us a guiding star,
Leading us on to greater wealth
In nobler thoughts, where'er we are.
True to this aim, we strive to be,
Strong in our loyalty to thee.

IV.

Lessons learned here must still prevail,
In kindlier deeds and larger life;
Friendships formed here can never fail,
High principles will conquer strife.
Loved M. V. S., to thee we raise
Our grateful thanks and give our heartfelt praise!

V.

With passing years thy daughters part
To spread thy fame wide as our land;
Let pride swell every loyal heart
To make thy name the firmer stand!
Loved M. V. S., to thee we sing,
Homage we pay, our best we bring,
—To THEE!

CLASS of 1904.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amount in hand October 1, 1903	$51 65
Amount received from dues	224 00
Printing and engraving	$19 25
Postage	12 20
Stamp for checks	1 50
Luncheon	100 00
Flowers	5 00
Total paid out	$137 95
Total in hand	137 70

M. DALL, '01,
Treasurer.

MARRIAGES.

Miss Alice Elise Painter, '99, to Mr. David Scott Thorburn, September, 1903.

Miss Jessie Lawrence Dimmick, '00, to Mr. Henry Reed Van Deusen, September 16, 1903.

Miss Frances E. Thirlkeld, '96, to Mr. Robert Lord Coleman, October 6, 1903, at Keyser, W. Va.

Miss Mae Louise Press, '00, to Mr. William Lewis Hodgkins, November 24, 1903.

Miss Blanche M. Swope, '93, to Mr. Henry Brown Mirick, January 14, 1903.

Miss Katherine Wright Steadman, '90, to Mr. Alfred Palmer, March, 1904.

Miss Helen Forrest, '00, to Mr. Arthur Warren Mitchell, April 27, 1904.

The marriage of Grace Bentley, '93' to Mr. Bayard H. Paine, January 15, 1902, should have been recorded in the last annual, but in some way the notice failed to reach us.

On April 21, 1904, Helen Palmer, '99, to Mr. William L. Andrus, of Yonkers.

BIRTHS.

August, 1903, a son, Powhatan Obuissier, to Mrs. Margaret Cox Woolridge, '00.

September 29, 1903, a daughter, Mary Louise, to Mrs. Lucy Tolerton Call, '00.

November 3, 1903, a daughter, Edith Ruth, to Mrs. Helen Birney Gantz, '00.

November 18, 1903, a son, Philip Sidney Morgan, Jr., to Mrs. Carrie McCabe Morgan, '95.

November 30, 1903, a daughter to Mrs. Helen Michner Halstead, '00.

March 15, 1904, a son to Mrs. Grace Phillips Johnson, '97.

April 15, 1903, a daughter, Alice E., to Mrs. Grace Bentley Paine, '93.

DEATHS.

Katherine Edmonston, '99, at Magnolia, Mass., August 20, 1903.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas He who guides us all hath lead our Katherine more quickly up life's mountain, so that the clouds now hide her from us for a little while:

Resolved, That we, the Alumnæ, sustain the loss of a dear member.

Resolved, That we, her classmates and school friends, are better for the earnest life begun among us.

Resolved, That our sympathy be extended to her family, and that these resolutions be made public through the ANNUAL.

CLASS OF '99,
WASHINGTON MEMBERS,
Committee.

SEPTEMBER 12, 1903.

At her home, in Harrisburg, Penn., on February 15, 1904, Regina Calder Mitchell, '82.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas our Heavenly Father, in His infinite love and wisdom, removed our beloved friend and classmate, Regina Calder Mitchell, from this earthly life to her heavenly home:

Resolved, That in her death her family, society, and the Alumnæ Association have sustained a great loss. Be it further

Resolved, That we extend our loving and heartfelt sympathy to her bereaved family, and that in loving re-

membrance these resolutions be inserted in our Alumnæ Annual and a copy be sent to her bereaved family.

CAROLYN E. PORTE, '82.

MAY 20, 1904.

Mr. James Ingram, brother of Florence Ingram, '02, and Mary Ingram, '03, in Baltimore, in April.

In Brooklyn, on February 26, Mr. Whitney, grandfather of Marion Dall, '01.

On January 4, 1904, George Smith Hosea, brother of Jeannie Nelson Hosea, '94 (Mrs. E. A. Laird).

In November, Mr. Ainslie, father of Genevieve Ainslie, '02.

In April, Mrs. Watkins, mother of Grace Watkins, '97.

THE SOCIAL MEETINGS.

During the winter we held five social meetings, beginning with the one in November, which was given by Mrs. True, '84. It proved to be a most delightful tea, with a short musical program. Mrs. Somers was there; at least she arrived and found that there were too many steps for her to attempt; so, much to our regret, only those of us who could go out to the street had a chance to speak to her at the carriage door.

In December the class of '99 gave a very charming tea at Mrs. Behrens', using class colors as the scheme for decoration.

Mrs. Fairfax, '94, gave a delightful tea in January. We had the pleasure of seeing her small daughter, Beatrice, and her splendid baby boy, both of whom stood admirably the trying ordeal of passing literally from hand to hand.

The class of '96 gave a tea at Mrs. Birney's in February.

The last one of the season was held in the music-room of the school. The class of '88 were delightful hostesses and gave us, as a surprise, a talk from Dr. Gates, who is so well known to all our school through his connection with us for the past two years and who needs no introduction to the Alumnæ further than his name. The subject of his talk was Sidney Lanier, and we felt, when he finished, that we owed him a vote of thanks, for we none of us knew the depth, sweetness, and courage of that rare spirit, Lanier, until he brought him to us in this most masterly and charming way.

For the next year we are to have but two social gatherings besides the two business meetings. The first one is to be given by Mrs. Swartzell, at her home in Chevy Chase. We are looking forward to it with great pleasure, for Chevy Chase in the fall is a thing of beauty beyond words and Mrs. Swartzell a charming hostess.

PERSONALS.

Floretta Elmore, '99, visited her sister Elsie, '04, during the Easter vacation, and was warmly welcomed by the friends who are still at the school. She was also here for the reunion and the commencement exercises, having been in New York in the interim, acting as maid of honor for Helen Palmer, '99.

Mrs. Anna Sargent Gilbert, '92, was in the city for a few days on her way to Atlantic City. She had been spending the winter in Florida, and stopped at the New Willard. We are sorry that M. V. S. has no annex for small boys, when we have to lose such splendid ones as her small son because of this lack.

Mrs. Lura Nash Griggs, '78, and her sister were at the school this year, much to the delight and pleasure of those who saw them.

Mary Abbott Prince, '00, spent Sunday, May 8, at the school.

The engagement of Lilian Lake, '99, to Mr. William Wadsworth Chance was announced this winter. Mr. Chance is a lieutenant in the Artillery Corps, now stationed at Fort Moultrie, S. C.

The last two weeks of school have been most delightful because of a bevy of old girls who have attended chapel regularly, been present in the library at all times of day, and with us always in the pleasures which come continually during the last days of school. Floretta Elmore, '99, Genevieve Ainslie and Elizabeth Rouse, '02, Grace Law, Vina Shattuck, Edith Viets, Catherine Rollo, and Helen Mills, of the class of '03, were the Alumnæ girls. Besides these, there were several others, dear to our hearts as old girls; among them Eleanor Vilas, Hope Brown,

Julia Dent Grant, Margaret Cass, Georgia Grey, Emily Wiggin, Sallie Ainslie, and Margaret Benedict.

Three resident members of the class of '94 are to desert Washington next winter. Grace Wright goes to Worcester, Mass., to live, where her father, Hon. Carroll D. Wright, is president of the university. Edith Hancock and Oro Joe Hemphill are to be in New York for the next two years.

Mrs. Elise Dufour Ryan, '94, has become a prominent member of the Woman's Club in Blackfoot, Idaho. She has had charge for some time of the classes in physical culture at the club, and expects next winter to do some additional work in history. At Christmas Mrs. Ryan was presented by the club with some handsome china in appreciation of the work she has been doing.

Mrs. Hedwig Brand Gottfried, '94, was matron of honor at the wedding of Miss Daisy Squier and Mr. Francis Mohun Phelps in November, 1903, and was a most welcome visitor at the school. Mrs. Gottfried gave a delightful luncheon for the bride at the New Willard, at which several of the Alumnæ were guests—Nora Michener, '95, Edna Lake, '95, Grace Wright, '94, Lillie Bowen Fairfax, '94, Mrs. Nellie Hosea Laird, '94, and Elsie Edwards, '93.

Grace Wright, '94, spent part of the winter with her sister, Mrs. Cornelia Wright McPherson, '91, at her home in Cambridge, Mass.

Anna Hasselman, '92, made a brief visit to the school during the Easter holidays. She has charge of the classes in drawing at Miss Allen's school, in Indianapolis, and is most enthusiastic over her work. In addition to this, she has been making more of her very attractive book-plates.

Mrs. Mary Stewart Carey, '77, of Indianapolis, called at the school while passing through Washington this spring.

Among the new members of the Faculty is one of our Alumnæ, Mrs. Somers' niece, Mabel Eddy, '77. Miss

Eddy has been for some time Assistant Principal of the Co-Educational College in Appleton, Wis. It is with great delight that we welcome her to the Faculty of M. V. S.

Ella Thomas, '97, has been visiting her brother, Dr. Philip Thomas, in San Francisco.

Mrs. Somers gave two beautiful luncheons this spring for her old girls. The first was in honor of Mrs. Mabel Cannon Leseure, '86; the other in honor of Miss Marian Dall, '01, and Miss Catharine Ridgely, '02, both of whom were among the season's débutantes.

It was most delightful to have Mrs. Eddy with us again this spring, though for only a short visit. Her daughter, Josephine Eddy, '01, was here for a few days before going on a long trip to New Mexico, where she was one of a house-party on a ranch. Mrs. Eddy spent a few weeks with Mrs. Somers at Rock Rest after the close of school. Miss Cornelia Morgan, '81, and Miss Mary Morgan and Miss Grace Wright, '94, were also guests at Rock Rest in June.

Among the girls in Miss Ashley's party for European travel this summer are Elinor Wood, '03, and Marie Peters, '04.

Miss Helen Hurst, '92, is still abroad, but expects to return to America in the fall.

Margaretta Meyer, '03, sailed for Europe in February, and expects to remain abroad for two years.

The engagement has been announced of Louise McWilliams, '89, to Mr. West, of Chicago.

Several M. V. S. girls were present at the wedding of Helen Palmer, '99, to Mr. William Loyal Andrus, in New York, April 21. Floretta Elmore, '99, was maid of honor, and Florence Hastings was one of the bridesmaids. Among the guests were Mrs. Frances Thirlkeld Coleman, '96; Mrs. Ethel Wolfe Hoyscroft, Mrs. Marie Wilson Beardsley, and Miss Mary Wilson, of Evanston.

The Secretary will be glad to receive any information in regard to class officers, colors, and mottoes in order to complete the record in the next Annual. The Secretary should also be notified of any change of address.

EDITORIAL

THE ANNUAL this year chronicles some very notable events. That of most importance to the Alumnæ is the Union with the M. V. S. Association in the support of a free kindergarten, a project which will need our loyal help.

We are now so large an Association that it seems most fitting that we should be reaching out to help others, and the decision to do this was made with an enthusiasm due largely to Mrs. Somers. She knows how to touch our hearts with a touch as inspiring as it is tender. As she told us at the Reunion of the difficulties of the past year, of the changing conditions by reason of which she had decided to build a new home for the school, each member present was thrilled with a pride in her indomitable courage that never shrinks from any undertaking however great if it be for the good of the school, and with a love for her that made us eager to do something for the honor of our Alma Mater. We know that the old girls who were not fortunate enough to be with us, will approve of the decision to take up some work, and we hope they will approve of the work that was chosen.

We all echo Mrs. Somer's fine tribute to Mrs. Hensley "her other self," of whom she said that dur-

ing their long association she had never seen her do or heard her say anything she would have wished otherwise.

The large class of 1905 has joined our Alumnæ just when we need them most, and therefore when they will be most highly appreciated. A future full of opportunities is opening before us, and we hope to prove ourselves worthy of our Alma Mater.

GRACE WILLIS, *Chairman.*
ALBERTA REARICK WEAVER.
LOUISE DUVALL.

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Vice Presidents

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SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

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MISS LOUISE DUVALL

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1891—Mrs. Louise Prentiss True
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1893—Miss Carolyn E. Porte
1894—Miss Addie Perry Burr
1895—Miss Anna King
1896—Mrs. Marie Wilkinson Hodgkins
1897—Miss Adalyn Smith Holden
1898—Miss Marion Dane Lilley
1899—Miss Anne Seymour Ames
1900—Miss Grace Duncan Wright
1901—Miss Harriet B. Walker
1902—Miss Susan Hurd Elmore
1903—Mrs. Phila Calder Nye
1904—Mrs. Phila Calder Nye
1905—Miss Marion Dall
1906—Miss Marion Dall

ARTICLE IV.

Meetings.

Regular. The regular meetings of the Association shall be two business meetings and a Reunion. The first business meeting shall be held on the second Saturday in January for the purpose of appointing a Program and a Luncheon Committee, with all other necessary Committees for the Annual Reunion.

The second business meeting shall be held the first Saturday in April for the election of officers.

The Reunion shall be held on the Saturday preceding Commencement at eleven A. M.

Special. Special meetings of the Association may be called at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

For the transaction of business, seven members of the Association, three of whom belong to the Board of Directors, shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE V.

Amendments.

Amendments to this Constitution may be made at the business meeting in April by a majority vote of the members present, such proposed amendments having been presented and read at the business meeting in January.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I.

Officers.

SECTION 1. The *President* in addition to her duty of presiding at all meetings, shall give an address of welcome to the incoming Senior Class at the Annual Reunion; shall appoint and announce at the business meeting in January, an Entertainment and a Luncheon Committee, of three members each, for the Annual Reunion; shall serve as Chairman of a Finance Committee of three members, the President, the Treasurer and one other whom the President shall appoint; shall authorize the expenditure of all general moneys of the Association, the Treasurer paying out the same upon order either of the President or, in case of Committees, of the Chairmen of said Committees; shall appoint and announce special Committees, and shall be a member, ex-officio, of all Committees of the Association.

SEC. 2. *The First Vice President* in addition to her duty of presiding at all meetings in the absence of the President, shall be Chairman of the Entertainment Committee for the Annual Reunion.

SEC. 3. *The Second Vice President* shall preside at all meetings in the absence of the President and First Vice President.

SEC. 4. *The Corresponding Secretary* in addition to her duty of conducting all correspondence of the Association, and of presenting an annual report at the Reunion, shall have charge of the dies and plates of the Association, and shall order all stationery and all invitations for regular meetings.

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SEC. 5. *The Recording Secretary* in addition to her duty of keeping all minutes of the Association shall read the roll call at the Annual Reunion.

SEC. 6. *The Treasurer* in addition to her duty of collecting and paying out all moneys of the Association and of rendering an annual report, at the Reunion, of such receipts and disbursements, shall also after the April business meeting notify the incoming Senior Class of the assessment of one dollar each for the Alumnæ Annual.

SEC. 7. *The Editorial Committee* shall edit and publish an Annual Report of the Alumnæ Association, said report to be issued each year between the Reunion and July the first. Each member of the Editorial Committee shall serve as Chairman of said Committee in her last year of office.

SEC. 8. *Vacancies.* In case of a vacancy occurring in any office, said vacancy shall be filled by appointment of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE II.

Order of Business.

SECTION 1. Reading of Minutes.
Report of Corresponding Secretary.
Report of Treasurer.
Reports of outstanding Committees.
Unfinished business.
New business.
Program.
Adjournment.

SEC. 2. At the business meeting in January, the Constitution and By-Laws shall be read.

ARTICLE III.

The Finance Committee.

The Finance Committee shall consist of three members, the President, the Treasurer, and one other whom the President shall appoint.

Its duties shall be :

1. To keep a strict supervision over the funds of the Association.

2. To decide on the amount to be expended for the Alumnæ Annual, the Reunion Luncheon and for all the disbursements of the Association.

The sanction of said Committee shall be necessary at all times, for the withdrawal of moneys from the Treasury.

ARTICLE IV.

Dues.

The dues of the Association shall be two dollars annually. Members of the incoming Senior Class shall pay one dollar for the Alumnæ Annual.

ARTICLE V.

Amendments.

The By-Laws may be amended at any regular business meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

COMMENCEMENT WEEK.

ALTHOUGH not strictly a part of the closing week of school, we could not omit from our list of festivities the garden party given by the Seniors on the ninth of May, when, before the Faculty and the Junior Class and amid the most poetic and beautiful surroundings, the Class History, its Election as to wittiest, prettiest and best beloved among its members, its Last Will and Testament, and its Prophecy were presented with great spirit and success. Then followed, with appropriate ceremonies, the planting of the Class Tree, a sturdy young maple.

The ices and dainties served by the white-robed maidens to their guests carried out the Class colors, orange and white, and the evening closed by an adjournment to Senior House and songs by the Class and by Mr. Gareissen, this last an unexpected but delightful feature.

School Day has become a significant part of the closing year, indicative as it is of the best in literary and musical values that the school affords, and the exercises on the nineteenth of May reached high-water mark. Miss Baggaley presented the banner in a telling speech, while Miss Willing was equally happy in her response. In the abdication of the Senior seats, Miss Durant's good-natured raillery was met most satisfactorily by Miss Wentz, who accepted on the part of the Juniors. Later, luncheon was served, the interval being bridged by the vocal contest between the classes of '05 and '06, the Seniors in possession of platform, piano and several fine voices, holding their own.

The Seniors varied the usual program of Class Night by presenting Mr. Underwood in "The Rivals."

A delightful reception followed, given by Mrs. Somers to the graduates and their friends.

Promptly at eleven o'clock, on the morning of the twenty-third, the twenty-two members of the Class of 1905, escorted by Misses Ray and Dall, presidents of former classes, took their places on the platform in the Banquet Hall of the New Willard, a crescent of white amidst the setting of palms and daises. Fine music preluded the address by the Reverend Bishop Vincent of the Methodist Episcopal Church, who took for his theme, "The New Term," and from the heights looked down on those just beginning the life climb, and taking as his types the Apostle Paul and Sidney Lanier, spoke of the world of joy and beauty revealed " to him that overcometh."

In the absence of Mrs. Somers, Mrs. Hensley presented the diplomas to this, the largest class ever graduated from the school, and the ceremonies closed with the benediction by the Reverend Doctor Ames.

HATTIE BELLE WALKER, '81.

THE ALUMNÆ REUNION.

THE Annual Reunion of the Alumnæ Association on Saturday, May twentieth, brought together between eighty and ninety members. The meeting was a most interesting and enthusiastic one, quite the most successful we have had for many years. The meeting was called to order by the President, Miss Dall, '01, after which the graduating class was presented to the Association by Miss Ames, '81. The President gave the following words of welcome to the Class, and their President, Miss Munger, replied:

To the Class of 1905:

It is my good fortune to be the first to congratulate the Class of 1905 upon being just in time to celebrate our thirtieth anniversary.

In expressing for those who come with happy memories of earlier anniversaries, a welcome to the Alumnæ of the present year, as those to whom our Association looks for strength and coöperation in the days to come, it seems only natural that our thoughts turn to her to whom M. V. S. owes its being and its splendid success. To her inspiring influence and to those who under her wise direction have carried out her plans, how great a debt we owe. A debt payable only in the love and honor which we bear her, and in realizing as far as in us lies that dream of fair and noble womanhood which we know as her ideal for her pupils.

Reunion Day is always the most profitable day for the Alumnæ Association, bringing as it does the new class in its vigor and enthusiasm, increasing our interest and love for our Alma Mater.

It is significant in itself that I welcome on our 30th Anniversary the largest class that has ever graduated —1905.

M. DALL, '01.

RESPONSE BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE CLASS.

Mrs. Somers, Mrs. Hensley, Madame President and the Alumnæ Association:

It is a source of pride and joy that we, the class of 1905 have the privilege of entering the Association on this its thirtieth anniversary. I might say, as Tennyson did, we see around us "the solid fruit of golden deeds."

The knights of old showed their worth by weapons of steel; we want to be like those knights, but may our weapons be enthusiasm, loyalty and love.

It is without fear that we enter our new life for the high ideals of womanhood, constantly before us in the lives and teachings of Mrs. Somers and Mrs. Hensley, will be to us a beacon light.

ANGELINE MUNGER, 1905.

The calling of the roll and reports from the various officers followed, but before proceeding to the new and important business before the meeting, Mrs. Somers spoke to the Association, telling of the new school she is to erect in the western part of the city. This announcement of the new school home and the details connected with it caused much enthusiasm and applause was frequent. It is hoped that the Reunion two years from now may be held in the new building.

The grounds are situated at the extreme end of Wyoming Avenue, bounded by Twenty-third and U Streets and Irving Place, and command a superb view of Washington and the surrounding beautiful wooded country. The house will be in the Colonial style, appropriate to its name, Mt. Vernon, and will be as nearly as possible in our school colors, as it is to be of buff brick with pillars, etc., of white. It will have accommodations for one hundred boarding pupils and as many day pupils. There will be a gymnasium and a Chapel, and the necessary class rooms all under the same roof. The house is to look from the front

like only a large private residence, but it is to have two immense wings extending toward the rear on either side of an open court. Altogether our new school home is to be one of which every M. V. S. girl can be justly proud, and which will be a worthy setting for the work which Mrs. Somers has begun and which she hopes will continue to grow and prosper for many years to come.

It is, of course, a matter of very great regret to all of us to have to give up the old school buildings which have grown so dear to our hearts and are rich in so many associations, but we cannot be blind to the fact that these same beloved quarters are becoming too cramped for our present needs. They have done their best to grow with the growth of the school, but there is now no more room for them to grow in. Moreover this part of the city is growing more and more undesirable for residence with each year, and should the prospect of a "cross-town" car-line on "M" street which has been threatening for some time, become a reality, it would make our beloved corner of Eleventh and "M" streets quite impossible. As is known to a number of M. V. S. pupils, it is largely through their efforts and that of their parents that Mrs. Somers and Mrs. Hensley have been able, during the last winter, to fight the bill for the car line on "M" street now before Congress. They succeeded in checking it for one year but it is very powerfully supported on the other side, and the battle will have to be fought all over again next winter and probably unsuccessfully. Mrs. Somers does not feel equal to this prolonged struggle, and feels that she would much rather put her time and strength into a new and permanent home for Mount Vernon Seminary in the most attractive part of Washington.

In speaking of the name of the school, Mt. Vernon, Mrs. Somers said that the question had been raised of changing it, and she said that she left it to the Association to change it if they desired, but after

hearing why she had called it Mount Vernon Seminary, it was unanimously decided to let the name stand. One of Mrs. Somers brothers, the Rev. Thomas Eddy, of the Methodist Church, held the pastorage of a church in Baltimore. Beginning in a small way he did a wonderful work in his parish and built a large church, and was much beloved by his people. In the midst of his labors he died very suddenly, and in loving memory of all that he had accomplished Mrs. Somers called her school, just then beginning, by the name of Dr. Eddy's church, Mt. Vernon.

At the conclusion of Mrs. Somers' talk an important business proposition was laid before the Alumnæ Association. It concerned the charitable work to be taken up by the Association, a subject which had been discussed at some length at last year's Reunion. It was determined at that time that the Association should, during the year just past, give its aid to that branch of the Georgetown Mission under the control of Miss Agnes Inch, '85; but that plans should be discussed at the next Reunion for some permanent and appropriate work for the Association, which should become its especial charge for the future. Miss Ames presented several lines of work which had been investigated by a committee, one of the most promising of which was the establishment of a day-nursery for poor children in Washington; but as this work is already contemplated by a charitable organization in the city, the plan did not seem so good as another which she explained at some length. This plan was to undertake the support of the kindergarten work which was established in this city by Mrs. Phoebe A. Hearst, and was supported by her until last year when she was, for some reason, obliged to withdraw her financial support. This means the abandoning of the kindergarten, which has been most successful and is greatly needed in the city, unless some other aid is promptly given. It certainly presented, as Miss Ames said, an opportunity for work all ready for our hands;

it was educational work and so right in our own line, it was work already successfully established, and three kindergarten teachers are M. V. S. graduates, Nannie Skillman,'88, Rachel Coffin,'88, and Grace Janney,'oo. Miss Ames then gave a practical review of the work and stated the probable amount necessary to cover the annual expense, if we should assume the charge of the kindergarten with all its present equipments. The expense, she said, would be between twelve and fourteen hundred dollars a year, which would seem rather too much of an undertaking for the Association alone, but Miss Ames went on to say that this same subject had already been under serious discussion among a number of old M. V. S. girl's in the city, not graduates, and they had formed themselves into a body to be known as the "M. V. S. Society" with the purpose of undertaking some charitable work. This Society was ready to unite with the Alumnæ Association in the kindergarten work, and it was moved and seconded that the Association should join with the M. V. S. Society in undertaking the proposed work at once. The Association was unanimous in its approval of this motion, and Mrs. Somers and Mrs. Hensley gave it their most hearty support. Mrs. Somers said, in connection with the M. V. S. Society, that there were numbers of girls who were quite as loyal to M. V. S. as her graduates, and as anxious to become identified with any work which would enable them to keep in touch with the school. She approved most heartily of their coöperation with the Alumnæ Association and suggested that members present from the various cities should volunteer, each one to look up all M. V. S. girls in her own city, and inform them of the work undertaken and secure their help. It was further suggested that circulars with full particulars of the work undertaken should be printed and sent to every girl ever connected with the school, with the expectation that the work would receive their most enthusiastic support. Someone here asked

how it would be possible to obtain funds for the printing and mailing of these circulars, and Mrs. Somers suggested taking a collection at once from the members present, with the result that about one hundred and fifteen dollars were given for this purpose. A committee was then appointed to confer with the committee from the M. V. S. Society, and it is hoped that not only the Alumnæ who read these pages, but every M. V. S. girl will soon know in detail the work which is to be undertaken in the name and for the honor of Mount Vernon.

This concluded the business before the meeting, and, after the formal adjournment, a short musical program was given, consisting of a piano solo by Miss Holden, a daughter of Mrs. Adelyn Smith Holden, '79, a violin solo by Miss Olive Waring of the Class of 1905, and a song by Miss Elizabeth Stewart. Miss Francesca Kaspar, '00, was also to have sung, but was unable to be present, greatly to the disappointment of all. We were very glad to hear Miss Lilla Osgood, of the Class of 1905, who kindly consented to fill the place of one of Miss Kaspar's numbers on the program.

After the music, luncheon was served, at which Mrs. Mary Bradford Stone,'88, presided as Toastmistress. Mrs. Stone referred to a former Alumnæ Reunion when with our toasts we had taken "little journeys" to different places where our Alumnæ have gone, or in which they were interested; and at this Reunion, this thirtieth anniversary of the founding of M. V. S., it had seemed to her fitting to call those daughters home from their journeys round the world that they might bring or send us a greeting. These little journeys proved most interesting and were most of them in the form of letters from abroad and were read by members present. The first toast, by Miss Mabel Eddy,'77, was to the early days of M. V. S., and the last, by Miss Margery Durant,'05, to M. V. S. of the present. The others were as follows:

Greetings from Cuba . . . . . .
Beulah Hubbell Wachmeister,'93
Read by Mrs. Stone.

From Sicily . . *Theda Buck*,'00
Read by Mrs. Hooe,'90.

From Italy, *Mrs. Phila Calder Nye*,'91
Read by Miss Bradford,'00.

From England . *Alice E. Edwards*,'93

From Scotland . . . . . .
Mrs. Elise Painter Thorburn,'99
Read by Miss Lake,'99.

From Ireland . . . *Miss Guard*

From the Island of Guernsey . .
Mrs. Mazie Brown Mèsny,'94
Read by Miss Duvall,'94.

From Hawaii . . . *Ina Taft*,'90
Read by Miss Wright,'94.

ALICE E. EDWARDS,'93.

REPORT OF THE YEAR'S CHARITY WORK.

At the Alumnæ Reunion in the Spring of 1904, a committee was appointed by the Association to conduct the work of aiding the Georgetown Mission, of which Miss Inch,'85, is Superintendent. Those appointed were Mrs. Holden, Chairman, Miss Willis, Miss Lillian Lake, Miss Stocking and Miss Edwards to consult with Miss Dall and Miss Inch, *ex-officio*.

That accomplished during the year is in brief as follows: At Christmas contributions of clothing, toys, food or money were solicited from all the resident members resulting in a generous response. Two barrels of articles were collected and packed which, with $10 in cash, were turned over to Miss Inch and gratefully acknowledged.

A sub-committee was organized at the January business meeting to collect further donations to be used in some way in a mass to represent the resident Association. The amount realized was $27. This Miss Inch asked permission to divide in cancelling half the coal bill for the winter, $7, the remaining $20.10 to be reserved for beautifying the new room to which the Mission was to move in the spring of 1905.

Besides this combined aid individual members of the Association have from time to time sent further contributions of clothing, preserves, etc., the Seminary sending at one time a large donation of dishes, which have been useful at Socials.

A few of our members have also sung at the Mission.

ADELYN S. HOLDEN,
Chairman.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amount in Treasury October 1, 1905 . . .	$71.12
Amount received from dues	223.00
Printing and engraving	20.75
Postage	15.35
Total paid out	$36.10
Total in hand	258.02

MARRIAGES.

Miss Louise McWilliams,'89, to Mr. Roy Owen West, June 8, 1904, Dwight, Ill.

Miss Alice Louise Kuhnen,'97, to Mr. Frank Marsh Zittell, June 8, 1904.

Miss Lucy Myra Ricker,'90, to Mr. William Rogers Wade, June 15, 1904.

Miss Margaret Madison Birney,'96, to Mr. Edmund Albert Varela, November 3, 1904, Washington, D. C.

Miss Luette Spitzer,'01, to Mr. Thomas Pim Goodbody, November 9, 1904, Toledo, Ohio.

Miss Grace Eleanore Watkins,'97, to Mr. Ernest L. King, November 19, 1904, Winona, Minn.

Miss Mary Alice Murphy,'97, to Mr. Henry James Sawyer, January 24, 1905, Joliet, Ill.

Miss Nora Michener,'95, to Mr. Barry Mohun, January 30, 1905, Washington, D. C.

Miss Edna Greer Lake,'95, to Mr. Walter Leon Hess, February 14, 1905, Washington, D. C.

Miss Ella Grant Thomas,'97, to Dr. Victor Brochard, March 6, 1905, Hankow, China.

Miss Mary Belle Merrick Hudson to Mr. John Roberts Coffin, April 27, 1905, New York.

BIRTHS.

In June, 1904, a daughter, Alice, to Mrs. Alice Adams Gunsaulus,'98.

July 10, 1904, a son to Mary Bradford Stone,'88.

November 11, 1904, a son, John Brush, to Mrs. Eleanor Brush Hempstead,'91, Indianapolis, Ind.

January 31, 1905, a daughter, Louise, to Mrs. Frances Thirlkeld Coleman,'96, New York.

March 21, 1905, a daughter, Helen Marsh, to Mrs. Frances Marsh Towner, '00.

April 14, 1905, a daughter, Frances De Pauw, to Mrs. Florence De Pauw Seaman,'89, Los Angeles, Cal.

May, 1905, a son, Phillips, to Mrs. Grace Phillips Johnson,'97, New Castle, Pa,

DEATHS.

On June 6, 1904, Mrs. Belle Hilt Walker, mother of Harriet B. Walker,'81.

On July 22, 1904, Hon. David Wolfe Brown, for forty years official reporter of debates, House of Representatives, father of Mary K. Mèsny,'94.

On August 2, 1904, Stephen Winchester, son of Mary Bradford Stone,'88.

On January 2, 1905, Eleanor F. King, mother of Mrs. Anna King Bean,'89.

On February 27, 1905, Mrs. A. D. Prince, mother of Miriam I. Prince,'03.

In February, 1905, Merrill A. Call, husband of Lucy Tolerton,'00.

On March 24, 1905, Rev. George V. Leech, father of Elizabeth B. Leech,'82.

IN MEMORIAM.

MARY J. WHEELER, August the tenth, 1904.

During the earlier years of the school, five of the Alumnæ of Mt. Vernon Seminary were very closely associated in their work and their fun. Two of them graduated in the Class of 1880, the other three the following year. Of the five, one is in New Mexico, a happy wife and mother, one is living here in Washington, closely identified with all the interests of the school, two are members of the Faculty, the fifth, Mary Julia Wheeler, died last August, and we, her friends, wish to place upon the pages of this Annual our sense of our loss. A most attractive personality! generous, high-spirited, loyal, sincere, earnest, ready of wit, modest! As friend, as sister, as daughter, above reproach!

Though the passing years brought us together but rarely, we are not forgetful of her, we feel that we are among those who knew her best, and we come, in sadness, to pay this last tribute of love to her memory.

ALICE NOKES HALL.
CORNELIA IRBY MORGAN.
ANNE SEYMOUR AMES.
HATTIE BELLE WALKER.

PERSONALS.

A very delightful tea was given in the fall for the members of the Alumnæ by Mrs. Minnie Naylor Swartzell,'76, at her lovely home in Chevy Chase. This was the only Alumnæ tea given this winter.

Ella Grant Thomas, '97, now Mme. Victor Brochard, has spent the last year in San Francisco with her brother, Dr. Philip Thomas. In February she sailed for China, accompanied by her brother, and was married on March sixth to Dr. Brochard at the American Episcopal Church in Hankow. Dr. Brochard is a Naval surgeon attached at present to the consulate of France in Hankow.

Mary Macauley,'93, is spending the summer abroad.

Among the many "old girls" who have been in Washington this winter at various times were Annie Hamilton,'03, Florence Ingram,'02, Mary Ingram, '03, Ruth Carey, '02, Josephine Eddy, '01, Florence Grandin,'96, Alice Grandin,'02, Mrs. Hedwig Brand Gottfried,'94, Helen Hurst,'92, Bernice Heefner,'97, Nellie Ford,'92, Stella Ford,'98, Mrs. Nellie Hosea Lard,'94, Grace Wright,'94, Clara Nagle,'03, Mrs. Mary Belle Hudson Coffin,'03, and Blanch Arnold, Anna Boyd, Mary Day, Caroline Lacy, Charlotte Plamondon, Marjorie Ray and Marguerite Macomer, the last seven all of the class of 1904.

Anna Hasselman,'91, sailed in January with her cousins, Mrs. Hugh R. Wilson and Miss Mary Wilson of Evanston, Illinois, and has since been enjoying a delightful trip through Egypt, Italy, Germany,

France and England. Miss Hasselman, and Elsie Edwards,'93, spent several weeks last summer painting in Mr. Charles Hawthorne's summer class at Provincetown, Cape Cod.

Miss Grace Brouse and Mrs. Phila Calder Nye,'91, travelled together last summer through Spain and Southern France. Miss Brouse returned in August but Mrs. Nye remained over for the winter, spending her time in the study of art history, and staying for several weeks at a time in Paris, Rome, Florence and Venice. Mrs. Nye expects to return to America this summer.

The Association has lost one of its most active members the past winter in Grace Wright,'94, who has gone to Worcester, Mass., to live. Miss Wright was present at the Reunion and was in Washington for about two weeks in May. She was for part of that time the guest of Mrs. Somers and Elsie Edwards,'93, and afterwards visited Carrie Janney,'96.

Grace Terrill,'96, sailed on the thirteenth of May for several weeks travel abroad.

Beulah Hubbell, Countess Wachtmeister,'93, is in Europe for the summer. Her home is at present in Havana and her address is care of the Swedish Consulate General, Havana, Cuba.

Francesca Kaspar,'00, returned in December from two years' study abroad. She has been studying under Bouhy, the well-known teacher of singing in Paris, and has come back with a very lovely voice that shows remarkable development, and gives great pleasure to all who hear it. Miss Kaspar has sung this winter in Washington in concert and oratorio and has been very successful in both. She sang the soprano part in Verdi's Requieum given here in March by the Choral Society, under the direction of Professor Joseph Kaspar, and was also soloist at the Georgetown Orchestra concert in May, and at our own Commencement, May 23d.

Mrs. Elsa Chamberlin Mower,'91, will be the guest of Mrs. Edith Dingley Hooe,'90, for several weeks this summer at Mrs. Hooe's summer home near Bluemont, Va.

Mrs. Nellie Hosea Lard,'94, spent the winter at Pinehurst. She was in Washington several weeks guest of her sister, Mrs. Birdsall, and attended the Reunion.

Cecyl E. White,'94, is abroad for a year and passed the winter in Rome and Sicily.

Mrs. Mary Norton Clapp,'87, with her husband and children spent six months in Pasadena. She writes that a reunion of M. V. S. girls was held in Los Angeles last winter.

Mary Stocking,'01, is taking a course in Domestic Economy in Rochester, N. Y.

Mrs. Addie Burr Clark,'88, called on several of her Washington friends while on a visit in the fall, taking lunch with her classmate, Mrs. Mary Bradford Stone,'88.

Stella Ford,'98, and Nell Ford,'92, called at M.V. S., en route for Pinehurst, in March.

Faith Bradford,'00, expects to attend Class Day at Harvard this year.

Ruth Halford,'01, sailed in February for the Philippines, to join her brother, and return with him in October.

Helen Hurst,'92, spent most of the Winter in Washington. She will spend the best part of the Summer with her brother, Lieut. Paul Hurst, at Fort Seward, Alaska.

The Elmore sisters spent the Winter in Pasadena, where they saw a number of M. V. S. girls.

Laura Pratt,'99, visited Stella Ford in January for three weeks.

Mr. William Marshall Warren, husband of Sara Shields,'91, was appointed Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, Boston University, last June.

Mrs. Hensley sails June 15, by *S. S. Cretic*, for Naples. Gertrude Hinman,'00, and Belle Hinman '02, are in her party.

The engagement of Marion Dall,'01, to Mr. Charles Connor, of Iowa, was announced last winter. Mr. Connor is a corporation lawyer.

Miss Scull is about to establish in Philadelphia a depository of photographs, forming the S. A. Scull Series of Classical Art. These photographs will illustrate the Art Periods and Schools and the chief works of the great masters, and will present them in such manner that they will show the development of Greek Art. Catalogues are to be issued from which photographs and slides may be ordered.

Mary Butler Behrens,'99, spent several months abroad, and while in Italy she had a chance to study R. R. strikes as well as pictures.

Miss Annie Goodsell lives in Brookline, and is studying at the Boston University.

Mrs. G. W. Stone,'88, while on a visit in Boston the past winter, spent several delightful days with Mrs. Cornelia Wright McPherson,'91, at her charming home in Cambridge, and also with Mrs. Anna King Bean,'89, whose hospitable house in Roxbury is the delight of her friends.

Mrs. Theda Buck,'00, has been spending a most delightful winter, traveling with friends in Europe.

Mrs. Cox (Lilian Plant,'95), of Baltimore, was present at the Reunion this year.

Mrs. Hodgkins,'86, has been elected State Vice Regent of the D. A. R.

Miss Walker,'81, will go to Cambridge about the

first of July in order to take a special course in the Harvard Summer School.

Two charming daughters of Alumnæ called at the school this spring—bright-eyed and rosy-cheeked Virginia Walker, daughter of Addie Tune Walker,'81, and Florence Murphy (also bright-eyed and rosy-cheeked), daughter of Katherine Nokes Murphy,'78, and niece of Alice Nokes Hall,'80.

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Active Members

1876.

NAYLOR, MINNIE E. (Mrs. G. W. F. Swartzell), Chevy Chase, Md.

1877.

CLARK, MARGARET (Mrs. W. A. H. Church). *Died February 13, 1892.*
EVERTS, JULIET (Mrs. Willis Robb), Hillside Ave., Richmond Hill, N. Y.
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* When not otherwise expressly stated all addresses are in Washington, D. C.

1878.

Color: Dark Blue.

Motto: Vincet qui se vincet (since taken as school motto).

Pin: Shows motto in dark blue, and was the first pin for the Association.

ANDRUS, IDA MUNSON, 25 Blacherne St., Indianapolis, Ind.

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1879.

Color: Turquoise Blue and White.

BAGGS, ANNA WOODBURN (Mrs. L. A. Koehne), 731½ Sedgwick St., Chicago, Ill.

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HAWLEY, IDA MARGARET (Mrs. A. J. Robbins), Mayville, Chautauqua Co., N. Y.

LANDERS, MARY (Mrs. John Beall). *Died Thanksgiving Day, 1892.*

SOMERS, JULIA MAY (Mrs. Horace S. Candee), care of W. J. Somers, Eleacon, Cal.

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WELCH, VILLA (Mrs. Harvey Murray), "The Iowa."

1880.

GOODWIN, MYRA (Mrs. Samuel Plantz), Lawrence University, Appleton, Wis.

NOKES, ALICE MAUD (Mrs. Nathan Hall), Socorro, N. M.

RABB, SADIE ROSS (Mrs. James Wade Emason), Vincennes, Ind.

WALKER, CORA M. (Mrs. F. L. Hayes), 429 Harrison St., Topeka, Kans.

WHEELER, MARY . . . . *Died August 10, 1904.*

KENNEDY, ANNA MARY . . . 1414 Hopkins St.

1881.

Colors: Lavender and White.

GRANDIN, ADELE MAY (Mrs. C. S. Morton), 7 Cooolidge St., Brookline, Mass.

HOGUE, ALMA MARIE (Mrs. W. W. Baxter), Michigan City, Ind.

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TUNE, FRANCES ADELAIDE (Mrs. W. F. Walker), 1724 18th St.

WALKER, HATTIE BELLE, "The Howard," 1617 Swan St. N. W.

1882.

Colors: Gold and White.

BURNETT, GERTRUDE (Mrs. William E. Beach), 195 Columbia St., Lafayette, Ind.

CALDER, REGINA (Mrs. Ehrman B. Mitchell). *Died February 15, 1904.*

LACEY, JESSIE PIXLEY, 305 Davis St., Evanston, Ill.

LEECH, ELIZABETH BEALL, 29 Luckie St., Atlanta, Ga.

PORTE, CAROLINE E.

1883.

CAMMACK, MARY LITTLE . . *Died March, 1887.*

ELLIOTT, HALLIE M. (Mrs. Franklin Ridgley), Springfield, Ill.

JENNINGS, MARY, 223 West State St., Harrisburg, Pa.

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1884.

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PRENTISS, LOUISE E. (Mrs. Frederick W. True), 1320 Fairmont St.

1885.

Colors: Yellow and White.
Pin: Individual monogram, with date.

CRAMPTON, MABEL (Mrs. James McCurrach), 49 Montgomery Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.

FINLEY, GRACE M. 457 State St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

POTTER, MARY ISABEL . . . Farmington, Conn.

TORINUS, GRACIA FREDRIKA (Mrs. Hiram King). *Died December 31, 1889.*

WILSON, LOUISE B. (Mrs. Lloyd W. Bowers). *Died December 18, 1897.*

INCH, AGNES . . . . . 1445 Massachusetts Ave.

1886.

Motto: Noblesse oblige.

ALLEN, CARRIE (Mrs. W. D. Van Horn), Wellsboro, Pa.

CANNON, MABEL (Mrs. E. X. Leseure, Danville, Ill.

HAYDOCK, MELLIE (Mrs. J. P. Camp). *Died July 28, 1893.*

MORGAN, KATHERINE (Mrs. Elmer F. Joyce), Bunker Hill, Millersville, Md.

STAPLES, HARRIET (Mrs. Frank W. Jay), 2510 Indiana Ave., Chicago, Ill.

THOMPSON, MARGARET, 499 East Ave., Galveston, Tex.

WILSON, LINA E. (Mrs. William Alton). *Died May 25, 1896.*

STINEMETZ, NETTIE (Mrs. R. L. Bains), 3359 18th St.

WILKINSON, MARIE (Mrs. Howard L. Hodgkins), 1830 T St. N. W.

1887.

Colors: Pink and Gray.
Stone: Moonstone.

EIGHMEY, AUGUSTA, 1337 Main St., Dubuque, Iowa.

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WARTMANN, SARAH . . . . . Evansville, Ind.

WILLIS, GRACE . . . . . 2030 Sixteenth St.

1888.

BURR, ADDIE PERRY (Mrs. John C. Clark), 182 W. Seventy-fifth St., New York, N. Y.

COFFIN, RACHEL JONES . . . . . Muirkirk, Md.

BRADFORD, MARY KNIGHT (Mrs. George Winchester Stone), 1409 Twentieth St.

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LEMON, MARTHA LOUISE (Mrs. S. C. Cissel, 1735 U St. N. W.

SKILLMAN, NANNIE VAN DYKE, 1729 Corcoran St.

STINEMETZ, MARY ADA . . . 1531 P St. N. W.

WALKER, NELLIE MATHILDA (Mrs. Walter C. Clephane), 1747 Corcoran St.

1889.

Colors: Pink and Silver.

Pin: Alumnæ pin.

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FORCE, MARY . . . . 524 Mabra St., Selma, Ala.

KEEN, EUGENIA (Mrs. Louis Cunningham), Niagara Hotel, Niagara, N. Y.

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1890.

Colors: Pale Green and White.

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1891.

Colors: White and Gold.
Pin: Alumnæ pin.

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LILLEY, MARION D. (Mrs. Boyd Taylor), 3414 Newark St.

PLAIN, SUSIE B. (Mrs. C. C. Martin), New York City.

1892.

Colors: Red, White and Blue.

BAIRD, MYRTLE (Mrs. John Chrisholm).

BOOGE, LAURA ELIZABETH (Mrs. Ensley M. Bent), Cody, Big Horn County, Wyoming.

DOYLE, GRACE ALICE (Mrs. C. L. Graves), 1920 Tarkwood Ave., Toledo, Ohio.

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BROWN, CATHERINE . . . . . .

CHOATE, KATHERINE . . . . . Rockville, Md.

HURST, HELEN, care of A. B. Brown, Glover Bldg.

1893.

Colors: Pale Green and White.

BARNITZ, BLANCHE C. (Mrs. Hobart M. Stocking), St. Paul, Minn.

BENTLEY, GRACE N. (Mrs. Bayard H. Payne), 1024 W. First St., Grand Island, Nebr.

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MCCAULEY, MARY . . . . . 220 B St., S. E.

SWOPE, BLANCHE M. (Mrs. H. B. Mirick), "The Cumberland."

1894.

Colors: Red and White.

Pin: Pearls and red enamel.

BRAND, HEDWIG (Mrs. Carl M. Gotfried), *Vice-President,* 35 Cedar St., Chicago, Ill.

DUFOUR, DORA ELISE (Mrs. Albert Thorp Ryan), Blackfoot, Idaho.

GUNNISON, RITCHIE FORD . . *Died June 11, 1895.*

HANCOCK, EDITH STARK (Mrs. Walter Hinds Allen), Brooklyn Navy Yard.

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TRIMBLE, FRANCES MARIAN (Mrs. Henry Fenno Sawtelle), 1320 Rhode Island Ave.

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1895.

Colors: Green and White.

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MICHENER, NORA (Mrs. Barry Mohun), 1624 Nineteenth St. N. W.

POLKINHORN, LAURA BLANCH, 414 Second St. N. W.

1896.

Colors: Green and Gold.

Motto: Knowledge is power.

DUNCAN, ELIZABETH D. (Mrs. Edward Duncan Mallam), Bevier, Ky.

GRANDIN, FLORENCE . . . . . Tidioute, Pa.

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1897.

Colors: Red and White.

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COOK, MAUD CHRISTIE . . . . . Neenah, Wis.
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1898.

Colors: Burnt Orange and White.

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SLATER, HELEN CLARA, 440 New Jersey Ave. S. E.

1899.

Colors: Purple and Gold.
Motto: Canticulum cane laboraque.
Stone: Amethyst.

ARTMAN, PAULINE . . *Died December 24, 1900.*

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EDMONSTON, KATHARINE . *Died August 20, 1903.*

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LIBBEY, EMILY MAY : 1823 Sixteenth St. N. W.

STOCKING, FANNY HULDAH . . . 1323 Girard St.

1900.

Colors: Green and White.
Motto: Esse quam videre.

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LUTZ, MARIAN . . . . . "The Wyoming."
MARSH, FRANCES M. (Mrs. Frank H. Towner), 1303 Q St.
MICHENER, HELEN MARIA (Mrs. Griffin Halsted), "The Louisiana."
SHOPPELL, GRACE VAN BUREN, 1332 Columbia Road.

1901.

Colors: Red and White.
Motto: Progredior.
Stone: Garnet.

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HARDING, GRACE LOUISE . . . *Died May 21, 1902.*

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HALFORD, RUTH . 1622 Twenty-second St. N. W.

STOCKING, MARY . . . . . 1323 Girard St.

1902.

Colors: Gold and White.
Motto: αρετή.
Stone: White onyx.

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RIDGLEY, CATHARINE CULLUM . . "The Portland."

1903.

Motto: Σώφια.
Colors: Blue and White.
Stone: Lapis lazuli.

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KENT, MABEL ANTOINETTE, 1229 Massachusetts Ave.

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1904.

Colors: Lavender and White.

Motto: Νίκη.

Stone: Amethyst.

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SIMES, OLIVE . . . . . 1525 Eighteenth St.

1905.

Color: Orange.

Motto: Φῶς.

Stone: Orange Topaz.

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WARING, OLIVE HOWARD . . "The Don Carlos."

1906.

Colors: American Beauty Red and White.
Motto: Δύνἀμις.
Stone: Carbuncle.

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Constitution.

ARTICLE I.

Name.

THIS Society shall be known as the ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF MOUNT VERNON SEMINARY, Washington, D. C.

ARTICLE II.

Qualification of Members.

The Association shall consist of Active and Honorary Members.

SECTION 1. Every graduate of the Institution shall be considered an Active and Life Member of the Association.

SEC. 2. Honorary Members shall be elected for life. Their number shall not exceed twelve.

ARTICLE III.

Officers—Their Election and Duties.

The officers of the Association shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and an Editorial Committee of three. These shall together constitute a Board of Directors.

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I. To receive, collect and hold all moneys of the Association and to pay out the same upon order either of the President, or, in case of Committees, of the Chairmen of said Committees.

II. To keep a careful account of all moneys received and expended by her, and to render a report of the same at the business meeting of the Annual Reunion.

The duties of the *Editorial Committee* shall be to edit and publish an Annual Report of the Alumnæ Association which report shall be issued before July first and shall consist of original articles contributed by members only. Each member of the Editorial Committee shall serve as Chairman of said Committee in her last year of office.

The duties of the *Board of Directors* shall be to call special meetings, fill vacancies caused by death or resignation, and otherwise to conduct the general affairs of the Association. Three members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE IV.

Meetings.

Regular. The regular meeting of the Association shall be two business meetings and a Reunion. The first business meeting shall be held on the second Saturday in January for the purpose of appointing a Program and a Luncheon Committee with all other necessary Committees for the Annual Reunion.

The second business meeting shall be held the first Saturday in April for the election of officers.

The Reunion shall be held on the Saturday preceeding Commencement at eleven A. M.

Special. Special meetings of the Association may be called at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

For the transaction of business, seven members of the Association, three of whom belong to the Board of Directors, shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE V.

Amendments.

Amendments to this Constitution may be made at the business meeting in April by a majority vote of the members present, such proposed amendments having been presented and read at the business meeting in January.

By-Laws.

ARTICLE I

Officers.

SECTION 1. The *President* in addition to her duty of presiding at all meetings, shall give an address of welcome to the incoming Senior Class at the Annual Reunion; shall appoint and announce at the business meeting in January, an Entertainment and a Luncheon Committee, of three members each, for the Annual Reunion; shall serve as Chairman of a Finance Committee of three members, the President, the Treasurer and one other whom the President shall appoint; shall authorize the expenditure of all general moneys of the Association, the Treasurer paying out the same upon order either of the President or, in case of Committees, of the Chairmen of said Committees; shall appoint and announce special Committees, and shall be a member, ex-officio, of all Committees of the Association.

SEC. 2. *The First Vice President* in addition to her duty of presiding at all meetings in the absence of the President, shall be Chairman of the Entertainment Committee for the Annual Reunion.

SEC. 3. *The Second Vice President* shall preside at all meetings in the absence of the President and First Vice President.

SEC. 4. *The Corresponding Secretary* in addition to her duty of conducting all correspondence of the Association, and of presenting an annual report at the Reunion, shall have charge of the dies and plates of the Association, and shall order all stationery and all invitations for regular meetings.

SEC. 5. *The Recording Secretary* in addition to her duty of keeping all minutes of the Association shall read the roll call at the Annual Reunion.

SEC. 6. *The Treasurer* in addition to her duty of collecting and paying out all moneys of the Association and of rendering an annual report, at the Reunion, of such receipts and disbursements, shall also after the April business meeting notify the incoming Senior Class of the assessment of one dollar each for the Alumnæ Annual.

SEC. 7. *The Editorial Committee* shall edit and publish an Annual Report of the Alumnæ Association, said report to be issued each year between the Reunion and July the first. Each member of the Editorial Committee shall serve as Chairman of said Committee in her last year of office.

SEC. 8. *Vacancies.* In case of a vacancy occurring in any office, said vacancy shall be filled by appointment of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE II.

Order of Business.

SECTION 1. Reading of Minutes.
Report of Corresponding Secretary.
Report of Treasurer.
Reports of outstanding Committees.
Unfinished business.
New business.
Program.
Adjournment.

SEC. 2. At the business meeting in January, the Constitution and By-Laws shall be read.

ARTICLE III.

The Finance Committee.

The Finance Committee shall consist of three members, the President, the Treasurer, and one other whom the President shall appoint.

Its duties shall be:

1. To keep a strict supervision over the funds of the Association.

2. To decide on the amount to be expended for the Alumnæ Annual, the Reunion Luncheon and for all the disbursements of the Association.

The sanction of said Committee shall be necessary at all times, for the withdrawal of moneys from the Treasury.

ARTICLE IV.

Dues.

The dues of the Association shall be two dollars annually. Members of the incoming Senior Class shall pay one dollar for the Alumnæ Annual.

ARTICLE V.

Amendments.

The By-Laws may be amended at any regular business meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

Commencement Week.

COMMENCEMENT week opened most propitiously, with a Musicale on Friday, May 18th, in the music room, in which participated two of the graduating Class, Miss Holden and Miss Prentiss.

The next day the Alumnæ Association held their Reunion and welcomed into their number the Class of 1906. That night the Seniors planted their Class Tree.

A slight innovation was made this year, changing Commencement Day from the Tuesday of "time immemorial" to Thursday, so School Day was held on Tuesday, the twenty-second. Two daughters of M. V. S. figured prominently in this programme. Dorothy Beall, daughter of Mrs. Mary Landers Beall,'79, wrote a very remarkable poem, which Nona Murray, Mrs. Villa Welch Murray's youngest daughter, read. In abdicating the Senior's seats. Miss Meacham,'06, and Miss Beall,'07, also a daughter of '79, occupied the arena in a match of wit and humor. After the exercises Mrs. Somers entertained the school at luncheon and the Seniors and Juniors entertained them with yells and songs.

Class Night came Wednesday, and this Class elected to go back to the old regime of Class poetry, history, lamentations and prophecy. Miss Dorothy Willing,'06, presented the school banner to Miss Virginia Johnson,'07, who accepted it for the Juniors. A delightful reception for the graduates and their friends followed.

At eleven the next morning, May the twenty-fourth, the twenty-eight members of the Class of

1906, escorted by Miss Halford,'01, and Miss Ridgely,'02, took their seats on the platform of the small ballroom of the New Willard, amidst the emblems, the colors and the flowers of M. V. S. The programme starting with an intermezzo and ending with the benediction by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Cranston, included some pleasing musical numbers and an address by the Rev. U. G. B. Pierce, on "The Three-Fold Law of Service."

Mrs. Somers presented the diplomas, assisted by Mrs. Hensley, and this, the largest class of M. V. S. was sent forth.

The Alumnae Reunion.

THE Annual Reunion of the Alumnæ Association on Saturday, May nineteenth, brought together between eighty and ninety members. The meeting was a most interesting and enthusiastic one, quite the most successful we have had for many years. The meeting was called to order by the President, Miss Dall,'01, after which the graduating class was presented to the Association by Miss Ames,'81. The President gave the following words of welcome to the Class, and their President, Miss Spry, replied:

To the Class of 1906:

A year ago to-day the Alumnæ Association decided to undertake in coöperatiton with other M. V. S. girls the management and maintenance of a Free Kindergarten. The risk and responsibility were great, but when we listen to the reports we may congratulate each other upon the outcome of our venture and feel that to-day brings to a close a most satisfactory year in that we have successfully supported a vital interest.

We are glad that the Class of 1906 is here to join with us in our celebration; glad that we have a year of earnest work to report to them and glad that we are to have their support in years to come, living up as they do to their motto: "Strength through wisdom."

In becoming a member of the Alumnæ Association you are under no new obligations; it is merely that the time has come when you have the chance to prove the love and loyalty you bear M. V. S. by

being actually in sympathy with the Association and its work.

And it is with the full assurance of finding in you eager and helpful comrades, that the Association warmly welcomes you into its ranks to-day.

M. DALL,'01.

RESPONSE BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE CLASS.

Mrs. Somers, Mrs. Hensley, Madam President, and the Alumnae Association:

We appreciate very deeply the welcome extended to us by all. We are glad not to be sent out in the wide, wide world, cut loose entirely from the influence that has molded our lives; but that in the Alumnæ Association there is a bond that still holds us to the old school, not only as a reminder of pleasant days, but also as a continued inspiration to keep fresh in mind the oft-repeated lesson of these days, "he conquers all who conquers self."

Fearlessly we take upon ourselves the pleasures and the responsibilities of the new life, for the womanly ideals set before us that only "through strength do we gain wisdom."

EMELINE WILD SPRY,'06.

The calling of the roll then followed and the Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were read and approved. Miss Ker, Regent of the M. V. S. society read a report of the year's work at the Kindergarten, which will be found in full elsewhere. This concluded the business of the meeting and a motion to adjourn was passed.

We then had the pleasure of listening to Mr. Ion Perdicaris, who told in his own charming way of his romantic experiences while a prisoner with his son in the mountains of Morocco. How he and this son, Mr. Valery, while having coffee one night at their summer home about five miles from Tan-

giers, were surprised and captured by a noted outlaw. How they rode up hill and down in the black of the night, through the densest jungles, and how, finally, they were released after six months by the paying of large ransom by the Moroccan government to this brigand.

After this altogether interesting programme, luncheon was served with Mr. Perdicaris as our guest of honor.

Miss Kate Macartney,'05, presided remarkably well as toast mistress.

Following are the toasts:

To Mrs. Somers and Mrs. Hensley.—Mrs. Phila Calder Nye,'91.

(Read by Miss Walker,'81.)

"Let's celebrate this famous pair."

To the School.—Miss Helen States,'98.

"The School, it has honored us, may we honor it."

To the New Members of the Faculty.—Miss Cole.

"A Daniel come to judgment, yea a Daniel."

To the Graduating Class.—Miss Hazel Newhall.

"One sweet, fair day I planted a red rose;
In the warm sun my rose bloomed gloriously."

To the Kindergarten.—Miss Eleanor Sowers,'96.

"The baby figure of the giant mass to come."

Treasurer's Report.

Amount in hand January 1, 1906	$ 86 53
Amount received from dues to date	242 00
Total	$328 53

Printing and engraving	$ 32 00
Postage	11 70
Alumnæ luncheon	113 50
Blank book	60
Total	$157 80

Amount received	$328 53
Amount paid out	157 80
Balance	$170 73

GRACE JANNEY,'00, *Treasurer.*

M. V. S. Society.

REGENT'S REPORT.

As most, if not all of you, know about this time last year the M. V. S. Society was formed and decided to support a Free Kindergarten at the Neighborhood House, a social settlement in one of the poorest parts of the city.

Before we undertook this work it had been carried on by Mrs. Phoebe Hearst, but she had given it up, and the loss was much felt. We were able to purchase at a very reasonable price, all the kindergarten pharaphernalia (including a fine piano) that had been used by our predecessors.

A Superintendent, Miss Holeman, and an assistant, Miss Sarah Pratt, were engaged; two large, well-lighted rooms were secured and the Kindergarten was opened last September, with an enrollment of 52. The usual attendance is about 40 and the average throughout the year has been about 35, which is very good when one considers the many wet days and an epidemic of measles. This is said to be the largest Kindergarten in Washington.

At Easter time the rooms were made more attractive by a number of beautiful and instructive pictures, given as a Lenten offering by some of the pupils of this School.

Most of the children come from very poor families. Their fathers are for the most part motormen, policemen, conductors and soldiers. Often it is a

hard struggle for the mothers to keep their children well enough dressed to attend school every day, and sometimes a little boy or girl has to stay at home for want of proper clothing.

From nine to twelve, five days in the week, the little pupils play games, sing songs and make gifts for their parents and teachers. Miss Holeman's aim is to have an object lesson in each game, a beautiful idea expressed in each song, so that the children are unconsciously led on to higher ideals. There is a garden where each child has a little plat to take care of and in which to plant lettuce, radishes, etc. It is difficult to estimate the amount of good done, not only to the children but indirectly to the dozens of families to which they belong. To visit some of the homes is enough to convince one of this. The mothers speak in most glowing terms of the Kindergarten and its teachers. Several children who at the beginning were almost hopelessly stupid and could scarcely speak, have greatly improved. One little boy Miss Holeman thought at first was a degenerate, but under the good influence of the Kindergarten he has turned out to be the most docile and attractive character in the School.

There is a visiting Committee composed of the Superintendent, the Assistant Superintendent and eight members (appointed each month) of the M. V. S. Society. Members of this Committee visit the Kindergarten constantly, and quite often the homes of the pupils. During the winter they took several of them to the Hospital twice a week to be treated for ear and throat troubles. Later on, however, it was decided to pay two girls (older sisters of the children) a small sum to do this work as it took a great deal of time and as the members of the Committee were constantly changing, it was hard to keep the doctor's orders straight.

In closing I would like to mention the May Day Party given to the Kindergarten children on the

lawn at Senior House. Nearly all the afternoon they rolled on the grass, ate, drank, romped and screamed to their heart's content. They never had such a time before and probably never will again, unless Mrs. Somers and Mrs. Hensley should be kind enough to repeat the invitation next year.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

September, 1905 to September, 1906.
Free Kindergarten Maintainence.

Total receipts to date, June 1, 1906.....	$ 1,911 36
Disbursements to date, June 1, 1906.....	1,299 47
Estimated expenses from June 1-Sept. 28..	243 00
Total expenses Sept. 28, 1905-Sept. 28, 1906.	$ 1,542 47
Balance Sept. 28, 1906.....	$ 368 89

REBECCA P. WARNER, *Treasurer.*

June 1, 1906.

Marriages.

Lillian Abbott Lake,'99, to Mr. William Wadsworth Chance, August 23, 1905.

Elizabeth Lucas Gould,'99, to Mr. Francis Edward Stevens, August 31, 1905.

Lois Mower Torinus,'04, to Mr. Gordon Welshous Tolen, September 27, 1905.

Helen Pennypacker,'99, to Mr. Earl Spaulding McCurdy, October 18, 1905.

Gertrude Risdon Hinnman,'00, to Mr. John Jay Garrison, November 8, 1905.

Frances Marian Trimble to Mr. Henry Fenno Sawtelle, November 22, 1905.

Angeline Munger,'05, to Mr. Philip Sheridan Delany, December 25, 1905.

Edith Stark Hancock,'94, to Mr. Walter Hinds Allen, January 24, 1906.

Margery Pitt Durant,'05, to Dr. Edwin Rutheven Campbell, April 18, 1906.

Jessie Beatrice Lennox,'01, to Lieutenant William F. Fay, U. S. Marine Corps, June 6, 1906.

Isabelle R. Hinnman,'02, to Mr. Arthur Lammers, June 14, 1906.

Annabel Whitney Baggaley,'05, to Mr. Walter Hine, June 14, 1906.

Bernice Heefner,'97, to Mr. George Arthur Riley, June 16, 1906.

Births.

August 16, 1905, a son, to Mrs. Mary Jackson Borchess,'97.

September 3, 1905, a daughter, Marion Gladstone to Mrs Florence Polkinhorn Affleck,'98.

September 26, 1905, a son, Harold Pim, to Mrs Luette Spitzer Goodbody,'01.

October 14, 1905, a son, John Melville, to Mrs Ethel Bogan Shaw,'95.

December 2, 1905, a son, Bradford Winchester, to Mrs. Mary Bradford Stone,'88.

Winter of 1906, a son, to Mrs. Helen Palmer Andrus,'99.

February 9, 1906, a daughter, Mary Elizabeth, to Mrs. Nora Michener Mohun,'96.

March, 1906, a son, to Mrs. Margaret Cox Woolridge,'00.

March 2, 1906, a son, William Press, to Mrs. Mae Press Hodgkins,'00.

Deaths.

September 12, 1905, at sea, Andrew B. Duvall, father of Louise Duvall,'95.

October 22, 1905, John Melville Shaw, son of Mrs. Ethel Bogan Shaw,'95.

October 23, 1905, George H. Plant, father of Lillian Plant,'95.

January 21, 1906, John Emory Andrus, son of Mrs. Helen Palmer Andrus,'99.

Winter of 1906, Alice Gunsaulus, daughter of Mrs. Alice Adams Gunsaulus,'98.

Winter of 1906, father of Mrs. Blanche Wilson Hampson,'96.

February 17, 1906, brother of Annabel W. Baggaley,'05.

April 20, 1906, Mr. Otto H. Hasselman, father of Ann Hasselman,'92.

May 14, 1906, mother of Pauline Artman,'99.

Personals.

Mrs Somers sailed for Europe on June second to spend the summer, accompanied by Miss Edwards,'93, and Miss Hasselman,'92.

Elise Painter Thorbun,'99, of Peebles, Scotland, spent a few days in Washington this winter.

Mrs. Phila Calder Nye,'91, spent several weeks in Washington this spring and it had been hoped she might be present at the Reunion, but it was impossible for her to remain.

Florence Brace,'05, started the ball rolling for Christmas debut parties by coming out in Pittsburg on December 27, 1905.

Margaretta Meyer,'03, was presented the next day in New Brunswick, N. J., and Katharine Keyes,'05, on the twenty-ninth, in Evanston, Ill.

Mrs. Holden,'77, spent last summer abroad with her father.

Miss Ashley sailed for Europe, May thirty-first, on the "Republic," of the White Star Line, and has with her this year Edith Meacham,'06, Helen Marsh, '06, Margaret Jennings,'07, Catharine Meyer, Mary Wentz, Reba Miller and Sarah Cox. They touch at the Azores, land in Italy, and work their way up to England from where they sail on August twenty-fifth, by the Red Star S. S. Zeeland, for New York.

Miss Mabel Hume was among the bridesmaids to attend the marriage of Miss Margaret Louise

Magee to Baron Riedi de Reidenau, of the Austrian Embassy, at Rome. The wedding took place June sixth, at the bride's residence, in Pittsburg.

Mateel Howe,'03, made a quick tour of the world, sailing from San Francisco in September and landing in New York in early April, when she visited the School enroute to her home.

Theda Buck,'00, is still in Europe, where she will remain for two more years.

Mrs. Eleanor Foster Lansing,'84, spent the winter in Algeciras, and on the Riviera.

Among the "old girls" to visit M. V. S. during the past year were Hallie Elliot Ridgely,'83; Elizabeth Duncan Mallam,'96; Bernice Heefner,'97; Elise Painter Thornburn,'99; Alice Henry,'99; Josephine Eddy,'01; Ruth Carey,'02; Elizabeth Rouse,'02; Mary Belle Hudson Coffin,'03; Anna Boyd,'04; Virgie Whitcomb,'05. Florence Wright and Jessie Olmsted were in Washington for commencement.

Anne Hamilton,'03, spent the winter studying abroad.

Ruth Carey,'02, was in Camden, S. C. for the winter and was present at a tea given by Mrs. Somers for Mrs. Eddy and Miss Eddy,'01, in April.

Margery Ray,'04; Belle Boone,'05; Emiline Spry, '06; India Bell Fleming,'06; Gertrude Lutz,'06, and Jessie Virgie Whitcomb,'05, and Jessie Orton are spending the summer abroad.

A good many of the Faculty are spending the summer abroad—Miss Sampson, Miss Bacon, who goes with Bureau of University Travel, Mrs. Kaspar, Miss Guard and Mrs. Payne who goes to remain a year.

Carolyn Porte,'82, spent the winter in London and is now in Switzerland. She will return in August.

The engagement was announced this winter of Miss Clara Noyes,'03, to Mr. Roy McCreary. The wedding will take place in the fall and they will make their home in Boston.

Francesco Kaspar,'00, sang at Commencement.

Mrs. Mary Bradford Stone,'88, and her small son, have been the guests of Mr. Stone's family, in Cincinnati. She will spend the summer in Vermont.

Marion Dall,'01, and Catharine Ridgely,'02, are spending the summer in a camp near Lake Tahoe, California.

Following is a list of the weddings of the non-graduate girls, in so many of whom the Alumnæ are interested:

May 4, 1905, Mae Belle Hart to Mr. William H. Neikirk.

May 17, 1905, Helen Persis Lord to Mr. Edward L. Hasler.

May 25, 1905, Eugene Gray Watson to Mr. John E. Woodruff.

June 14, 1905, Sarah Elizabeth Weidman to Mr. Warren Gloninger Light.

June 20, 1905, Abbie Adeline Whitmarsh to Mr. Arthur Dayton Hughes.

June 21, 1905, Ethelwyne Walton to Dr. William Orville Watson.

September 20, 1905, Alice Marion Deviny to Mr. William G. Cook.

September 28, 1905, Helen Tope to Dr. Lewis Wine Bremerman.

October 4, 1905, Helen Browne to Mr. John F. Comer.

October 12, 1905, May Edith Armstrong to Mr. Donald F. Kizer.

October 18, 1905, Helen Adene Bell to Mr. Julien A. Ripley.

October 25, 1905, Grace Lowry Field to Mr. Robert McIlwain Morgan.

October 25, 1905, Alice Revell Dewey to Mr. Frank Rogers Judd.

October 30, 1905, Gladys Lonsdale Painter to Mr. George Washington Nicola.

November 1, 1905, Ada Gruber Sorg to Capt. James Pierre Drouillard.

December 3, 1905, Marjorie Merriweather Post to Mr. Edward B. Close.

December 7, 1905, Jessie Eugenie Eliot to Mr. Charles N. Thompson.

December 12, 1905, Louise Kauffman to Dr. John C. Simpson.

December 19, 1905, Margaret Louise Snow to Mr. Francis J. Carmody.

January 3, 1906, Corinne Reitzell Filbert to Mr. John Dunnett.

January 6, 1906, Linda Peckham to Mr. Frederick P. James.

January 10, 1906, Helen Mae Collins to Mr. Joseph E. Beury.

January 29, 1906, Mary Genevieve Stapleton to Lieut. John R. Kelly, U. S. A.

January 31, 1906, Carrie Eckert to Mr. William Henry Lerch.

April 17, 1906, Irene Jewett to Mr. Horace Fletcher Lunt.

April 26, 1906, Zaidee Cobb to Mr. Cornelius N. Bliss, Jr.